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Philippines Go Into National Mourning

WASHINGTON, MAR. 17.

THE PHILIPPINES AMBASSADOR SAID TONIGHT HE HAD BEEN ADVISED THAT THE BODY OF PRESIDENT MAGSAYSAY HAD BEEN RECOVERED FROM THE WRECKAGE OF AN AIRLINER ON CEBU.

The Ambassador, Brigadier-General Carlos Romulo, said he had been advised on the finding of the body in a message from Manila. There were no further details, he said.

A Manila report says the United States carrier Shangrila tonight headed for the waters of Cebu in the southern Philippines to help in the search for possible survivors of the aircraft crash in which President Magsaysay died yesterday.

The carrier was to send four helicopters to search the mountain ravine into which the aircraft plunged after taking off from Cebu City. The authorities announced that the crash took place at 0140 local time, about 25 minutes after takeoff.

Newspaper reporter Nestor Mata, the only known survivor of the 25 people aboard the presidential aircraft, was carried ten miles to hospital on a stretcher through the thick tropical forest. He was reported by his doctors to be out of danger tonight although suffering from second and third degree burns.

In New York, Mr Felixberto Serrano, Philippine permanent representative at the United Nations, officially informed Mr Dag Hammarskjold, UN Secretary-General, of President Magsaysay's death.

Mr Hammarskjold then sent his condolences to the Philippine government and people.—Reuter.

NATION MOURNS

Manila, Mar. 18.

The Philippines went into national mourning today for President Ramon Magsaysay.

The Cabinet was expected to announce within the next few hours officially that the 49-year-old President was dead.

His body was to be brought out early today from the tangled jungle near Cebu City, where his C-47 plane, carrying 25 persons, crashed early Sunday.

Vice-President Carlos Garcia was speeding toward Manila from Australia in a chartered Australian airliner. He was scheduled to arrive in Manila late today to take the oath of office and run the country until next November's presidential elections.

Although an official announcement was yet to come, the nation had anticipated the announcement of the President's death and went spontaneously into mourning today.

FLAGS HALF-MAST

Flags were at half-mast. Grim-voiced radio announcers repeated over and over again, "The President is dead."

The Manila Times carried the blackringed headlines: "Ramon is dead." "Nation mourns."

Constabulary troops and National Bureau of Investigation agents took over at the site of the crash and began the grim task of identifying the dead.

Reports of the plane disaster were still varied and confusing. It was known that the plane, with the President and 24 others aboard, smashed into a jungled mountain area shortly after taking off from Cebu City early Sunday morning.

There was speculation that the plane had developed engine trouble and crashed while attempting to return to Cebu City airport.

Other still unconfirmed reports, however, told of a mid-air explosion before the crash.

SABOTAGE FEAR

These reports had led to fear of possible sabotage. Top security and intelligence agencies were conducting large-scale probe into this possibility.

There was only one known survivor—Nestor Mata of the Philippines Herald. Mata was thrown clear of the wreckage and lay only a few feet from the plane, apparently watching helplessly for several hours as flames devoured the other persons aboard.

The Philippine Air Force publicly appealed for any information that might be used in identifying the bodies of the dead. The National Bureau of Investigation flew four experts experienced in such identification to Cebu this morning.

Reports received here said the plane crashed in extremely difficult terrain and rescue parties were hampered in their efforts to conduct a thorough search for possible survivors and to bring out the dead.

About 200 Philippine soldiers were reported to have arrived at the scene, as have special detachments of the Constabulary.

Unconfirmed reports said at least four bodies had been recovered.—United Press.

THE NEW PRESIDENT



MR CARLOS GARCIA

Widespread Mourning In Hongkong

Hongkong's 800-strong Filipino community was shocked to learn of the tragic death of President Magsaysay this morning. Last night, Filipinos held special prayer meetings in their homes hoping that President Magsaysay would be among the survivors of the aircrash.

Mr Eduardo L. Rosal, Consul-General for the Philippines in Hongkong, has cancelled all social engagements and told the China Mail this morning that a memorial service would be arranged and held later.

Flags flew at half-mast from the Philippines Consulate-General and all other consulates in Hongkong. Business firms which have close trading connections with the Philippines, and Filipino family residences, also flew flags at half-mast.

The Doyen of the Consular Corps, Mr Mario E. Guillen, Panamanian Consul-General in Hongkong, personally called on Mr Rosal this morning to convey condolences and sympathies on behalf of the Consular Corps and himself.

Mr Rosal said that all engagements arranged for the Philippines Vice-President, Mr Carlos C. Garcia, have also been cancelled. Mr Garcia was due to come here after the conclusion of the SEATO conference in Canberra.

Mr Rosal added that Mr Garcia had left Canberra and would arrive in Manila at 2 p.m. today.

TENSION MOUNTING IN ISRAEL

CABINET POSTPONES DELIBERATIONS

Jerusalem, Mar. 17.

The Israeli Cabinet today decided to postpone its "main deliberation on the situation in the Gaza strip" until the return of the Foreign Minister, Mrs Golda Meir, from the United States late this week, a government spokesman announced tonight.

According to usually reliable sources, the Cabinet at its meeting was believed to have considered measures other than diplomatic to deal with the deepening Gaza crisis following the return of Egyptian administration to the strip.

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COMMENT OF THE DAY

Gaza Danger

IT is with growing indignation that many people here and abroad are watching Colonel Nasser making a tool of the United Nations in the Gaza strip. In a thoroughly unctuous and provocative manner he has wasted no time in re-establishing Egyptian control in the area safe in the knowledge that UNEF is there to prevent a renewal of hostilities.

In the meantime, Saudi Arabia has declared the Gulf of Aqaba an exclusive Arab waterway, raising this time a religious pretext for its claim. Israel is alarmed by all this. Properly so because one of the avowed objects of its invasion of Gaza and Sinai last October was to bring an end to Egypt's border raids. Now it seems the position is to revert to its original unsatisfactory state, with no guarantee that Egypt will cease its assaults upon Israeli territory.

The result is that Mrs Golda Meir, the Israeli Foreign Minister, has suddenly taken a plane to New York, and after a brief stop at Paris for talks with M. Mollet, has flown on to confer urgently with Mr Dulles. She has made the Israeli position quite clear. And that is that unless the United States exerts some pressure on Egypt—though it is difficult to see what can be done now—Israel is prepared to renew its war.

LEGALLY Israel has no quarrel with the United Nations whose only task was to ensure the withdrawal of the Israeli forces. It may chide Mr Hammarskjold with not showing much imagination so far in his attempts to solve the border problem, but no specific resolution on the future status of Gaza has been passed by the General Assembly. It might be said that the United Nations is doing its diplomatic best not to overstep the mark, but in that case it is also true to say that its scruples have led it to step rather short of the mark.

It would seem that Mrs Golda Meir has more chance of getting a satisfying assurance from Mr Dulles than Mr Hammarskjold. Egypt must be restrained and the Aqaba Gulf opened to free navigation. Mr Dulles must remember that unless he can give substance to such an assurance, Israel may be forced to seek its own solution.

A Great Loss

THE news of the tragic death of the Philippine President, Ramon Magsaysay, will be received with shock throughout the world. The people of the Philippine Islands have lost a renowned leader who earned widespread admiration for the tough realism which he injected into his administration. He will rank among his young country's greatest leaders after only four years in office.

The son of a blacksmith-schoolteacher-farmer, Magsaysay was an Army officer before his election to Congress. He broke with the former Quirino administration in 1953 because he was a misfit among men who were torpidly passive. His greatest quality was that he abhorred hypocrisy. He was also a fervent exponent of "Do It Yourself". Due largely to his energy his administration struck boldly at two great problems — corruption in government, and the Huk rebellion.

The power of the Huks has been weakened considerably, if not entirely broken. They are now said to possess a quarter of their former strength. His success with corruption defies such a precise estimate, but the example he has set by personal honesty is one that will long be remembered by his associates. Vice-President Garcia now becomes President. It can only be hoped he is equal to the many demands his new post will make upon him.

BEA GROUNDS ITS VISCOUNTS

SEQUEL TO LAST WEEK'S CRASH

London, Mar. 17.

Britain "temporarily" grounded its Viscount turboprop 700 series airliners tonight, following its first fatal crash in commercial service, and indicated that overseas airlines were being advised to take "precautions."

The pioneering propjet plane, the world's first used by airlines, flies on all continents—100 in the United States and Canada.

The British European Airways (BEA) "temporarily withdrew from service" its 27 Viscount 701s tonight, apparently after discovering a clue to Thursday's fatal crash at Manchester which killed 22 persons.

A BEA spokesman said the order was given "so we can look into the flap-operating mechanism of the planes."

The spokesman said Vickers-Armstrong, Ltd., which builds the Viscounts, "are to communicate with other users on the t necessary precautionary measures to be taken."

The spokesman did not say if the precautions would include similar withdrawal from service. He said the "precautionary check" BEA was giving its Viscounts would take "two or three or so" days.

Among the airlines using or ordering Viscounts are Air France, Capitol, Trans-Canada, Aer Lingus (Irish), Trans-Australia, Misrair (Egyptian), Linea Aeropostal Venezuela, Compania Cubana de Aviacion, Indian Airlines Corp., Pluna (Uruguay), Iraqi Airways, Philippine Airlines, Linee Aeree Italiane, Lloyd Aereo Colombiano, Hongkong Airways.

BEA, which sponsored the Viscount's development, was the first operator. It uses the 701 model. Other airlines are receiving slightly-varied models bearing different numbers in the 700 series.

Not Grounding

In New York, Capital Airlines said today there was no question of grounding its fleet of 60 Viscount turboprop airliners.

A spokesman for the airline said Capital was using the Viscount 725 series, an advanced model specially adapted to American airline specifications. This type, the spokesman said, is very different from the 701 models grounded by British European Airways today.

Trans-Canada Airlines has no plans to ground its Vickers-Armstrong Viscount airliners despite a grounding order affecting Viscounts in service with British European Airways, a spokesman said in Montreal tonight.

TCA expected Vickers-Armstrong, Ltd., to inform them of any technical faults which the manufacturers might come across, the spokesman said, but that had not yet been done.

"Every Viscount is built with different characteristics designed for different airlines," said the spokesman, "and faults which may show up on Viscounts of one line might not necessarily have been built into other Viscounts on another airline."—United Press.

Returning To NY

London, Mar. 17.

Sir Pierson Dixon, Britain's permanent representative at the United Nations, left London Airport tonight for New York.—Reuter.

Support For Shipyards Strikers

Geneva, Mar. 18.

The International Metal-workers' Federation is today to call on affiliated national federations in all countries not to carry out repair or construction work which should have been done in British shipyards.

Mr Adolf Graedel, Swiss Secretary-General of the International Federation, which has its headquarters in Geneva, said today this action would be taken in solidarity with the strike decision by British shipyard workers.

He stressed that the call would be sent to every country in which the Federation has affiliates, which meant virtually the whole world, including the United States, with the exception of Communist countries.—China Mail Special.

Election Brings . . .

Riots Bombs & Casualties

Calcutta, Mar. 17.

Rioting broke out between Communists and Congress Party sympathisers today over the result of a Congressional election race in West Bengal.

Several bombs exploded in various parts of the city and an unknown number of persons, including newsmen, were injured.

Some 50,000 Communists thronged the Chowringhee, facing Congress Party groups, as the results of a Congressional race between the West Bengal Chief Minister, Dr B. C. Roy, and the Communist-supported Moslem trade unionist, Mohamed Israil, began to trickle in.

When Dr Roy jumped into a lead over his Communist opponent, mounted policemen charged the Communist masses in the face of a barrage of stones and shoes.

Pitched Battle

Hundreds of police scuffled for 15 minutes with the demonstrators, using their truncheons, beating many and arresting several.

The Congress Party sympathisers booed as the Communists retreated.

As the pitched battle continued in one of the busiest parts of the city, one police motorcycle was set ablaze and several bombs were hurled at policemen.

Several persons were injured and fire brigades and ambulances were called in.

At one point the police succeeded in chasing away the Communist rioters, who gathered at a distance, while Congress Party sympathisers, jubilant over reports that their Party candidate was winning, took the initiative and began throwing stones at the Communists.

Bombs Burst

Bombs began bursting on the street and a second spate of rioting began.

The rioting flared again when it was announced that Dr Roy had defeated his Communist rival by 601 votes, but police dispersed the crowds with tear gas.

Emboldened by their success, Congress Party sympathisers later challenged a Leftist crowd. In the melee, four bombs exploded, injuring a number of people.

The angry mobs hurled stones at press photographers and reporters trying to cover the riots. Several newsmen were injured.

Although Dr Roy was elected, Leftists hailed the narrow margin as a victory—in the last general election, Dr Roy won by more than 10,000 votes.—United Press.

Hongkong Airways Not Affected

Hongkong Airways said this morning the BEA decision to ground their Viscount 701 planes would not affect the HKA Viscount services between Hongkong, Manila and Seoul. The Viscount machines which Hongkong Airways are operating are fitted with different engines from those of the 701.

AIRLINER SAFE

Tunis, Mar. 17.

A British De Havilland Dragon airliner, which was listed as missing on a flight from Gabes, Tunisia, to Tunis, landed last night on Naboul beach because it was short of fuel, it was learned today.

The plane, which only had fuel for two hours flying time when it took off, was forced to land some 45 miles south of the Tunisian capital.

The plane's three passengers were all safe.—France-Presse.

A Determined Would-Be Suicide

Dijon, France, Mar. 17.

A 60-year-old retired railway employee, Louis Bariens, set fire to his mattress today after drenching it with petrol. Surviving the explosion which resulted, the old man stabbed himself in the chest with an awl.

He was taken to hospital in a serious condition.—France-Presse.

Terrorist Attack

Oran, Mar. 17.

Four terrorists today threw hand grenades at a group of people in the centre of Tlemcen, in the Oran area, injuring 24 persons, some seriously.

The attack took place in the square before the city hall. Four grenades were thrown.—France-Presse.

Trafalgar Sq Crowd Protests Rent Bill

London, Mar. 17.

Mounted police today broke up a crowd of 5,000 strong after a demonstration against the government's Rent Bill now before Parliament.

The bill has been hotly attacked for exposing the occupants of 800,000 houses and flats to rent increases or possible eviction and for raising the statutory rents of more than four million other tenants.

The demonstration started in Trafalgar Square, not far from the official Downing Street residence of the Prime Minister, Mr Harold Macmillan, who was away at his official country residence, Chequers.

Four contingents of tenants, some with their families, converged with pipe bands on the square, where they were addressed by three Labour members of Parliament and other speakers.

CROWD ROARS

The meeting was organised by the National Association of Tenants and Residents. At its close, the crowd roared "Yes" when asked to approve the association's "declaration to the Prime Minister" condemning the Bill.

Then the tenants formed themselves into a procession and marched towards the entrance of Downing Street, where they found a cordon of more than 30 mounted police.

Meanwhile, about 150 foot police had been bundled out of trucks and cars to control the demonstration. As each new squad of police arrived they were greeted with derisive jeers from the crowd.

WOMEN SCREAM

Some women screamed as the mounted police sidled their horses towards them.

Police announced later that six arrests were made.

When the crowd had been cleared from Downing Street, the association's secretary, Mr Tom Vernon, was permitted to deliver a declaration condemning the bill at the Prime Minister's residence.—China Mail Special.

OFF TO CAIRO

New Delhi, Mar. 17.

Mr V. K. Krishna Menon, India's Minister without portfolio, will leave Delhi tomorrow morning for Cairo at the invitation of President Nasser, it was learned here tonight.—Reuter.



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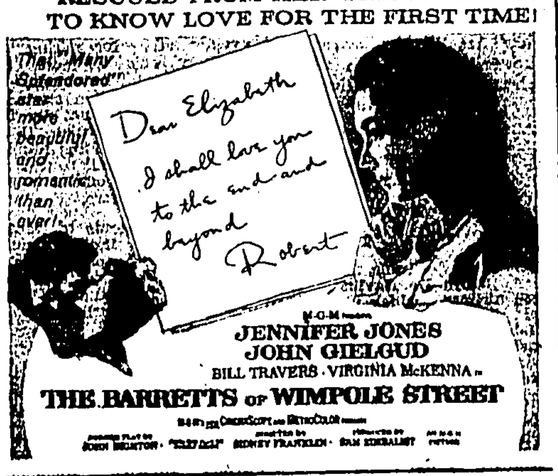
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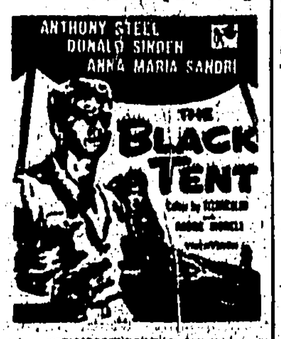


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DISARMAMENT ACCORD POSSIBLE

Russians Believed In Better Mood For Discussion

London, Mar. 17.

An American source on the eve of the disarmament talks here said today that the United States delegation was facing the problem neither with "optimism nor with pessimism, but with constructive realism."

The source said that the standpoints of the various governments were closer together than they had been at previous sessions of the Disarmament Sub-committee but added that the world atmosphere in which the conference was taking place was worse than last year.

BEST PLAN

He described it as a hopeful sign that the Soviet Government now appeared ready to accept the figures of force levels proposed previously by the Western powers and to consider a modified version of President Eisenhower's aerial inspection plan.

The source said that the best plan for the conference would be to make a start on the problems of conventional disarmament—force levels, control of spending and level of armaments.

He pointed out that the problems of conventional disarmament were linked with the problem of nuclear disarmament through the question of the propulsion of nuclear weapons.

The American source also said that the new United States plan outlined at the United Nations by Mr Henry Cabot Lodge was "flexible" in presentation but firm in essentials.

He emphasised that inspection would be required at every stage and security maintained under these proposals.

ADVISER

The source said that he did not consider that the British nuclear test explosion at Christmas Island would affect the negotiations at the conference or that the planned British troops withdrawal would affect the negotiating position of the West.

The source said that Western delegates at the talks would keep in touch and hold periodic private meetings.

The American source said that the United States Ambassador to Moscow, Mr Charles Bohlen, will arrive in London tomorrow after consultations in Washington on his way back to the Soviet Union.

Mr Bohlen, the source said, would probably remain in London for a few days to advise the American delegation at the disarmament talks.

It is 10 months since the five powers last met, and despite repeated disappointments, it is felt here that on this occasion there are grounds for hope that some progress may be made.

The delegates now have before them proposals which seem to offer some chance of agreement, both on the question of nuclear test control and force levels of the major powers.

WHOLE PROBLEM

The delegates will also study the latest Soviet proposals suggesting an ending of nuclear tests leading up to the prohibition within two years of the use and manufacture of nuclear weapons.

The conference also still has before it an amended Anglo-French plan for phased comprehensive disarmament, President Eisenhower's plan for mutual aerial inspection, and Marshal Nikolai Bulganin's suggestion for the establishment of control posts at strategic points.

Delegates will tackle the whole problem of disarmament knowing that nations throughout the world are worried by the dangers which could arise if the major powers indulged in an uncontrolled nuclear arms race.

Mr Selwyn Lloyd, British Foreign Minister, will open the conference at Lancaster House, scene of many historic postwar international negotiations. — China Mail Special.

URANIUM SHIPMENTS TO RUSSIA

Budapest, Mar. 17.

The Hungarian Workers (Communist) Party newspaper Nepszabadsag said today that the Soviets "have not taken our uranium from us. It is still there." However, the paper disclosed that uranium shipments to the Soviet Union would start towards the end of this year.

Uranium deposits, the extent of which have not yet been revealed, were discovered at Kovagoszollos, and prospecting has already begun.

The newspaper said the uranium will begin to be extracted and shipped to the Soviet Union during the last quarter of this year. "It is the only good route for the Hungarian economy," the newspaper said. "Certainly, we might also deliver it to the United States. But geographically and from all other points of view, the Soviet Union is closer to our country and to the heart of our people. So much the worse if our enemies are furious."—France-Presse.

Sudden Death Of French Playwright

Paris, Mar. 17.

Yves Mirande, popular French playwright, screenwriter and journalist, died suddenly in Paris today.

Mirande, who was 82 years of age, gained a worldwide reputation with his dialogues and adaptations for the films, "Moulin-Rouge", "Paris-New York," "Behind the Facade."

He was the author of "Attenuating Circumstances," starring Michel Simon and Arletty.

He early won a reputation with his plays for the popular French theatre. Among his hits were "A Page at Maxims", "A Cheap Country Resort", "Three Nude Girls", and many others.

Mirande's real name was Yves Le Querrec. He was born in the Paris suburb of Bagneux in 1875. In 1951, he was awarded the Georges Feydeux Prize for his contribution to the theatre.—France-Presse.

London, Mar. 17.

Representatives of the British rubber industry and Soviet organisations are having talks in Moscow on the possibility of buying British equipment for a new Soviet tyre factory, Moscow Radio said today.

A member of the British delegation told the radio that after the first week of the talks "definite progress can be noted."—China Mail Special.

Danish King's Birthday



On the balcony of Amalianborg Palace, Copenhagen, members of the Danish Royal family acknowledge the cheers of schoolchildren on the occasion of King Frederik's 58th birthday. The youngsters were given the day off to mark the birthday. On balcony, from left, are: Queen Ingrid; Princess Margrethe; Princess Benedikte; Princess Anne Marie and King Frederik.—Express Photo.

International Third Force

EUROPE HOLDS THE BALANCE

Chateauroux, Mar. 17.

The French Premier, M. Guy Mollet, said today that Europe must be built up as an "international third force" to hold the balance between the Soviet Union and the United States.

In an impromptu speech after a ceremony inaugurating a school extension here, the Premier said that the world position of France had never seemed so strong on the psychological and emotional planes.

"The (Anglo-French) Entente Cordiale is a permanent reality which will shortly have the occasions to reaffirm itself," he said.

Reconciliation

"The harmonisation of our relations with the (West) German Republic of Bonn are tending more and more towards a real Franco-German reconciliation."

M. Mollet appealed for less scepticism and mistrust in approaching proposals for building a new Europe.

"We must have more confidence in ourselves. We must build this third international force which will re-establish the equilibrium for, if the USSR and the United States must remain face to face, the risk for peace would be great."

Referring to schemes for the emancipation of France's overseas territories, the Premier emphasised the need to avoid "the stage of bitter nationalism" by enabling these territories to progress by democratic methods towards real independence.

Independent One Day

"Yes, all the black people of Africa, all the Algerians will be independent one day, but it is of the independence of men and women that I am thinking, and not of the independence of states in which men would lose their liberties," M. Mollet said. —Reuter.

NAZI VICTIMS REMEMBERED AT BELSEN

Bergen-Belsen, Mar. 17.

More than 1,000 young Germans here today braved pouring rain to place flowers on the mass graves of 30,000 Jewish prisoners of Nazi concentration camps.

One of the dead resting among the grass-covered sandhills at the former Bergen-Belsen concentration camp cemetery, is Anne Frank, the Jewish girl who became a symbol of her Nazi-persecuted race by the postwar publication of her diary from the days of terror more than 13 years ago.

NEVER FORGET

One of the young Germans assembled at the graveyard said in a brief speech: "What happened here we should never forget. It is our task to see that nobody shall ever again commit the sins which were done by our fathers."

The crowd assembled at a 65-foot obelisk erected on the former camp ground to honour the 30,000 camp prisoners who died in Bergen-Belsen in 1944 and 1945, mainly from starvation.—United Press.

FAR EAST ECONOMIC CONDITIONS FAVOURABLE IN 1956

New York, Mar. 17.

Favourable economic conditions continued to prevail in Asia and the Far East in 1956, according to a United Nations survey of the region issued here today.

The annual economic survey of Asia and the Far East for 1956 said that "real economic progress" had been made judging from the increased expenditures on development.

But one "somewhat disturbing" factor had been the appearance in many countries of inflationary tendencies with which governments more actively promoting economic development would have to deal.

Dominant Theme

The survey said it was perhaps possible to recognise a dominant theme in the different countries. Production and trade were both up but imports had risen faster than exports.

"What mainly generated pressure was the continued growth in the expenditures of governments frequently associated with the implementation of development plans," it stated.

"Failing large increases in tax revenues or borrowing from the public these expenditures involved deficit financing on a significant scale."

The survey said the difficulty would have been greater had no foreign aid been made available to a number of countries in a considerable and frequently increasing volume.

"In other words the defence against the adverse by-product effects of economic expansion and economic development largely rested in 1956 on various temporary expedients—notably the drawing down of foreign balances which had in some cases been helped by boom export earnings in 1955—and on foreign assistance."

"Only here and there and in rather bare outline was there visible the structure of a plan for meeting the necessities of the financial aspect of the case on a permanent basis."

The survey said that 1956 had brought growing awareness in the countries concerned that the food problem of Asia had not yet been solved.

Although the output of cereals for the crop year 1955-56 and most other food crops surpassed previous records for the region as a whole the increases occurred mainly in Ceylon, Nationalist China and Japan.

In India, Indonesia and Pakistan, weather conditions brought smaller crops and as a result there had been an appreciable rise in food prices.

The survey said that the inflationary risks of economic development programmes were higher than would otherwise be the case. This resulted in larger emphasis on agriculture in the formulation of economic development plans for a number of countries, including Afghanistan, Burma, Cambodia, China, India, Indonesia and Nepal as good examples. A major accent was on the development of basic facilities—transport, communications, irrigation and power — as a prerequisite for more diversified development.

Final trade returns for the year were also expected to show an element of adverse effect in the form of higher import prices and reduced growth of import and export volume, from the closing of the Suez Canal in the fourth quarter.

Concerted Action

The survey concluded by saying it was to be hoped that means could be found for continuing, and where possible increasing, the flow of external assistance, as well as of private capital, to the region as a whole.

"Concerted international action to obtain a greater and more assured degree of stability in the prices of primary commodities was also clearly necessary."

"Finally, practical ways have to be found of raising the rate of saving through taxation or otherwise, so that in time the countries may become themselves able to maintain and raise the rate of investment."—Reuter.

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Frigid Reception For Soviet Economic Plans

Common Market Nations Call For Speed

London, Mar. 17.

The new Soviet plan for an all-European organisation for economic co-operation to supersede the Western Europe common market and Euratom projects received an icy reception in Western circles today.

In Paris, 400 delegates from Britain and the European common market countries today approved a resolution calling for the ratification by member parliaments with all possible speed of the common market and Euratom treaties.

The conference agreed not to discuss yesterday's Soviet proposals, which speakers labelled as a "time-wasting manoeuvre."

Signature of the treaties by France, West Germany, Italy, Belgium and Luxembourg and the Netherlands, is due to take place in Rome on March 25.

REACTIONS

Correspondents in Western capitals sent the following reports during the weekend, illustrating the cool reception accorded to the Soviet plan.

WASHINGTON: United States officials suggested that the Russian plan was a last-minute effort to worry the West about an economically renascent Germany in its midst.

They were inclined to regard it as more of a diplomatic manoeuvre than a serious plan for negotiations.

A State Department official commented: "It looks to me like a desperate man's final effort to destroy something before it becomes a solid fact."

PARIS: M. Antoine Pinay, former French Prime Minister, said as Russia was trying to prevent ratification of the European common market, efforts for "Little Europe" to remain united should be "redoubled," he said.

RUSSIAN HOPES

Although there was no official comment on the Soviet proposals, French Government circles regarded them as another Soviet attempt to break up Western European unity.

ROME: Most of the Italian press defined the Soviet plan as "a manoeuvre against the common market."

The Liberal Turin paper La Stampa commented: "Moscow prefers to have at its frontiers a weak and divided Western Europe, rather than a Europe which unity would raise to the level of an international third force."

BONN: The West German Government offered no comment on the Soviet plan. But sources close to the Foreign Ministry said it appeared the Soviet Union was trying to disrupt the the establishment of the Euratom and European common market organisations.

BRUSSELS: M. Paul Henri Spaak, the Belgian Foreign Minister, said the six nations "will take a joint stand" in reply to the Soviet note. "Otherwise I have no comment to make on Moscow's latest move," he said.

UNITED FRONT

But sources close to the Inter-Governmental Committee, which drafted the treaties, said that the partner countries "will certainly propose a united front against Soviet criticism of the two schemes."

"They are also likely to unanimously cold-shoulder Moscow's vague proposals for a substitute pan-European organisation," the sources said. — China Mail Special.

AIR FRANCE UNAFFECTED BY BAN

Paris, Mar. 17.

An official of the French national airline, Air France, said here tonight that Syria's ban on Air France planes would have no effect on their services.

Answering questions about the ban announced in Damascus today, he said that no Air France planes at present flew to Damascus or over Syrian territory.

Air France planes to the Far East which used to stop at Damascus now stopped at Beirut. Air France passengers wishing to go to Damascus were sent on from Beirut by taxi.

These measures were apparently taken because difficulties had been expected in flights over Syria, the official said.—Reuter.

2,500 Islanders Lose Battle With English

APPEAL TO CANADA

South Uist, Outer Hebrides, Mar. 18.

British Government plans to establish a rocket range on this island may force the 2,500 inhabitants to emigrate to Canada, it was claimed last night.

"We are being driven from our homesteads by the English, so we are appealing to Canada to help us," said Father John Morrison, a Roman Catholic priest.

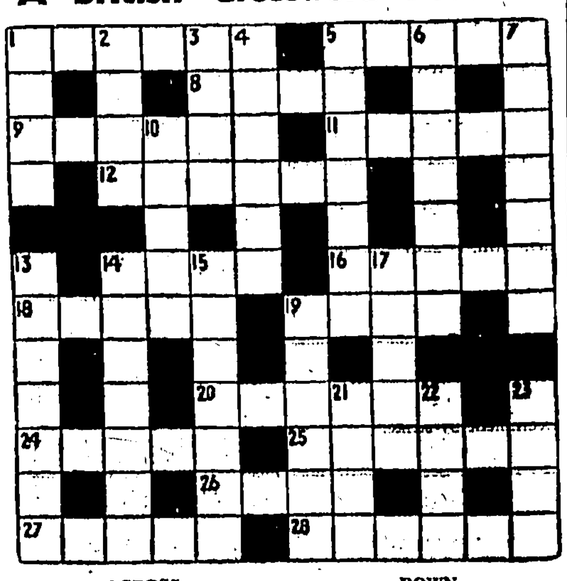
He has led the islanders in an 18-month fight against the Government's £12 million scheme to establish a guided missile range and to settle on the island 4,000 scientists and servicemen with their families.

SECRET PLAN

Father Morrison said he had evolved a secret plan for a mass emigration to Canada "to save us being lost in a sea of English and rockets."

Many islanders were keen and willing to give up their worldly goods—their crafts, their fishing and their weaving—and go to Canada, he said, adding: "We can go to Canada as a self-sufficient and complete community with school teachers, doctors, farmers, fishermen, labourers and shopkeepers."—China Mail Special.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

1 Far off as a meteor maybe (6).
5 Symbols (5).
8 Way out (4).
9 Clergyman (6).
11 Month (5).
12 Loathe (6).
14 Fibbed (4).
16 Purport (5).
18 Introduction (5).
19 Depend with confidence (4).
20 Sends (6).
24 Hurl (5).
26 Highest conceptions (6).
26 Besides (4).
27 Stiff (5).
28 Pay (6).

DOWN

1 Ecstatic (4).
2 Domestic (4).
3 Try out (4).
4 Stretch (6).
5 Law (7).
6 European country (7).
7 Joins (7).
10 Weird (6).
13 Backer (7).
14 Lounging (7).
15 Came out (7).
17 "Upper crust" (5).
19 Negligent regarding a girl (6).
21 Notion (4).
22 Heroic tale (4).
23 Spot (4).

SATURDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 1 Clasp, 4 Precis, 8 Mosaic, 10 Donor, 12 Modern, 14 Convene, 17 Nose, 19 Cleaned, 20 Matinee, 22 Elan, 23 Attests, 27 Pealer, 29 Copra, 30 Severe, 31 Riddle, 32 Tepid. Down: 1 Comic, 2 Arson, 3 Prime, 5 Rude, 6 Cannon, 7 Sorted, 9 Conceal, 11 Ornate, 13 Deletes, 15 Opal, 16 Valuer, 18 Sent, 20 Meteor, 21 Tapped, 24 Treat, 25 Sleep, 26 Steed, 28 Earl.

Germany's Export Drive

Bonn, Mar. 17.

A vigorous West German export drive to win friends and influence customers is under way in the Middle East, Asia and Africa.

A lavish German industrial exhibition now open in Cairo shows the extent of West Germany's counter to the Soviet "trade offensive."

Nearly all the big steel engineering, construction, chemical and optical firms are among the 420 firms taking part.

The West German Government is giving solid backing to the exporters by increasing its contacts with countries of the Middle East, Asia and Africa.

The last of leading government officials making visits to these countries is topped by the Chancellor, Dr Konrad Adenauer, who is to go to Iran at the end of this month.

The Foreign Minister, Dr Heinrich von Brentano, arrived in Australia today and will later visit India.

Vice-Chancellor Herr Franz Bluecher left for a nine-day visit to Pakistan on Friday.—China Mail Special.

Unionists To Exchange Visits

Amman, Mar. 17.

An exchange of visits between members of the Chinese Communist and Jordan Federation of Trades Unions, will take place during the next two months, the Secretary-General of the Jordan Federation of Trades Unions, Ziadan Younis, announced today.

Younis said that a seven-man Chinese delegation would arrive in Amman next month from Egypt, ending their tour of Arab countries at the invitation of the International Federation of Arab Trades Unions.

Younis said that a 12-man Jordan delegation, including himself, would visit China on April 15 and would stay there for three weeks. The Jordan delegation would attend the Chinese celebrations of May Day, Younis said.—Reuter-Press.

Decoration For Stan



Stanley Matthews, at 42 perhaps the world's greatest soccer player, leaves Buckingham Palace on Tuesday with his wife, right, and daughter Jean, after Queen Elizabeth had conferred upon him the Order of Commander of the British Empire, awarded him for his services to football.—Express Photo.

BIG DRIVE AGAINST EOKA TERRORISTS

Nicosia, Mar. 17.

SEVERAL thousand troops from five British battalions today launched another major anti-terrorist drive, the sixth since the new year, in the mountains of southwestern Cyprus, while EOKA terrorists showed complete inactivity for the third successive day.

Code-named "Lucky Dip", the drive was being carried out by components of Major-General "Jose" Kendrew's striking force with the aim of capturing a number of leading terrorists, believed to be hiding in the area.

The British troops were tonight spreading out among mountain villages, combing all buildings and the surrounding areas.

A number of suspected terrorists in several villages, 25 miles southwest of here, were detained for questioning, although no significant arrests were reported, an official spokesman said.

Observers here tonight said they believed that a truce by EOKA had already begun, although Colonel Grivas, suspected terrorist leader, in his offer to suspend all operations last Thursday had hinged it on the release of Archbishop Makarios from detention in the Seychelles.

Although there has been no terrorist activity in the past three days, it is apparent that the security forces do not intend to reciprocate.

The capture of EOKA's acting operational chief, Droushiot, last Friday and the start of a new drive today, seemed to point to the fact that the pressure on EOKA will not be allowed to slacken.—China Mail Special.

SUCCESSFUL US ANTARCTIC EXPEDITION

New York, Mar. 17.

Rear Admiral George Dufek, who commanded Navy forces during the recent US Antarctic expedition, today described the military-scientific "Operation Deep Freeze" as an outstanding success.

Before Operation Deep Freeze, the United States had two bases in Antarctica, at Little America and at McMurdo Sound. Under Admiral Dufek's direction, five additional bases were established: at the South Pole, with materials dropped from planes; in Marie Byrd Land, with materials delivered by tractor train, and on the Knox Coast, on the Weddel Sea and at Cape Hallett.

Supply Base

There was no military significance in establishment of the new bases, he said. Except for the station at McMurdo Sound, a supply base, all would be used solely for scientific observation.

"What impressed me most was the co-operation of the various nations," Admiral Dufek said. Twelve nations are participating in the Antarctic phase of preparations for the International Geophysical Year.

The Soviet co-operated, he said, by giving up plans for establishing a base at the South Pole and leaving that location to the United States. A Soviet scientist was there as an observer, he said, and a United States observer was at a Soviet station in the Antarctic.

Admiral Dufek said the cost to the United States of operations in the Antarctic since 1954 had been about 80 million dollars and the loss of eight lives from the approximate 5,500 men participating since that time.

338 Americans

Of the eight men killed, he said three died in falls through the ice, one in a helicopter crash and four in plane crashes.

He called the establishment of a station at the South Pole the most spectacular part of Operation Deep Freeze. The Navy and the Air Force set up stations at widely-scattered points over the Antarctic.

Scientists have moved into the South Pole station and will remain for observations throughout the International Geophysical Year which begins next July 1 and continues through 1958.

Admiral Dufek said there were 586 Americans now at the seven stations, both civilian and half military personnel.—Reuter.

Eisenhower Dines With Ship's Crew

On Board the USS Canberra, Mar. 17.

President Eisenhower will confer tonight on Middle East developments with Brigadier Andrew Goodpaster, White House Staff Secretary, who is flying from Washington to board the USS Canberra which is taking the President to Bermuda.

The President's press secretary, Mr James Hagerty said, the Brigadier's journey did not mean that the situation was viewed as an emergency.

The President has received three special reports on the Middle East since last night, and has been constantly in touch with the State Department.

He told correspondents today that he was feeling "very good."

BRITISH WATERS

The Canberra — a guided missile cruiser—will reach Bermuda next week for the Anglo-American conference.

This morning the Canberra moved slowly in British territorial waters two miles off Little San Salvador Island, southern Bahamas.

The President wore a green carnation in his buttonhole, a gift from the ship's crew in honour of St Patrick's Day.

He lunched with 56 men in the enlisted men's mess, and then studied the latest plans and arrangements for the Bermuda conference.—Reuter.

GAITSKELL IN BERLIN

Berlin, Mar. 17.

Mr Hugh Gaitskell, leader of the British Labour Party arrived in Berlin tonight by air for a two-day stay, during which he will give two lectures.—China Mail Special.

FBI Hoover Political Censor, Says Red



EDGAR HOOVER

New York, Mar. 17.

Mr Simon, Gerson, who will become Executive Editor of the Daily Worker newspaper here tomorrow, tonight issued a statement accusing Mr J. Edgar Hoover of setting himself up as "a political censor."

Mr Hoover, Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, said in a letter to the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee on March 12 that American Communists "have not broken with Russia" despite "an alleged declaration of independence" recently.

Mr Gerson's statement tonight replied:

HEAVY BLOW

"The 1957 Communist Party convention dealt a heavy and effective blow to the inspired myth that the Communist Party is some foreign-controlled conspiracy.

"This true picture, of course, smashes the Hoover myth and makes him rage against Communists, radicals and what he calls 'pseudo-liberals' who stand for the Bill of Rights.

"But perhaps the most sinister point about the Hoover letter is that Mr Hoover is setting himself up as a political censor, to determine what political ideas or associations are legal and what are not."—Reuter.

NAGY MOVED TO ODESSA?

Effort To Defeat UN Investigators

Vienna, Mar. 17.

Mr Imre Nagy, the former Hungarian Prime Minister and leader of the country during the October uprising, is believed to have been moved from Bucharest to Odessa, the Russian Black Sea port, according to unconfirmed reports reaching here from Budapest. His companions in exile have gone with him, the reports said.

Mr Nagy and his party were taken prisoner on November 4 on leaving the Yugoslav Embassy, where they had taken refuge when the Russians attacked the city.

According to the Budapest reports, they were moved from Rumania to Russia when it began to be suggested that the Hungarian Committee of the United Nations would ask to interview them, the reports said.

Alienate Peasants

It was also considered in Budapest that instead of trying Mr Nagy himself as had been expected, the Kadar regime put on trial Mr Geza Losonczy, his lieutenant who was believed to be the real leader of the rightwing "National" Communist Intellectuals in Hungary.

The explanation for this change of front was that to try Mr Nagy might strengthen his followers and alienate the peasant element, one report said.

Mr Losonczy, on the other hand, was personally not well known and popular. He was the target of an attack by Mr Gyula Kallai, the Minister of Culture, in his speech at the Opera House on March 14.

Mr Losonczy, it is believed, will be brought to trial together with the writers Gyula May, Tibor Tardos and Sandor Novobaczky, who have been arrested for their part in the October revolution.

A book on the revolution, which appeared a few days ago, has been withdrawn from the bookshops, apparently on higher orders, Budapest reports say.

At Variance

Its author, Marton Lovas, was attacked by Nepszabadsag, the Communist Party newspaper, for voicing the opinion that "up till October 28, the revolution was a genuine democratic movement" and that "the Hungarian masses turned against the party leadership of Rakosi and Gerce for their blind copying of Soviet policy and practices."

These views are at variance with the official line that a "counter-revolution" had been organised in Hungary from abroad.

The book is now unobtainable, the Budapest reports say.—China Mail Special.

AFRICANS TO END BOYCOTT

Johannesburg, Mar. 17.

African leaders of the 10-week-old African bus-boycott said today that "the people desire to resume using the bus transport."

The statement was made to the Angelican Bishop of Johannesburg, the Right Reverend Ambrose Reeves.

Boycott leaders made it clear, however, that they would use buses only if fares charged by the Public Utility Transport Corporation for the nine-mile journey from Alexandra township to the centre of Johannesburg were reduced from five-pence to fourpence.

They hope that the extra penny demanded by the transport company, which has now withdrawn buses from roads, be subsidised.

DOWNTRODDEN

This is tantamount to acceptance of the offer by the Chamber of Commerce recently in which the Chamber offered to pay bus users an extra shilling a week or alternatively give a penny rebate for every clipped ticket.

Africans refused this offer.

At a meeting in Alexandra township today, Africans claimed they were being downtrodden financially and boycotters demanded a minimum wage increase of £1 daily for all African workers.—China Mail Special.

German Plan For Reduction Of Forces

London, Mar. 17.

West German Ambassador, Hans van Herwarth, today laid a compromise plan on the reduction of British armed forces in Germany before the Council of the Western European Union meeting in London.

The plan was reported to be the result of talks between West German Chancellor, Dr Konrad Adenauer, and Sir Christopher Steel, British Ambassador to West Germany.

The British Government was believed to be trying to obtain the agreement of its allies in the WEU (France, Italy, West Germany, Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxemburg) before Tuesday's departure of the Prime Minister, Mr Harold Macmillan, and Foreign Secretary, Selwyn Lloyd, for Bermuda, where they are to confer with President Eisenhower.

The Council today continued its discussion for the third straight day without reaching a decision. Another meeting was scheduled for tomorrow night, when several of the member nations' foreign ministers may take part in the debates.—France-Presse.

Germans In First Allied Exercise

Fontainebleau, Mar. 18.

West German officers, participating for the first time in a joint Allied exercise, will take part in a command post exercise of Allied troops, Central Europe, from March 21 to 27, it was announced here today.

The name of the exercise will be "Lion Noir" (black lion). It will involve only commanders and staffs, and its primary purpose is the practice of staff procedures under simulated combat conditions.

It will be conducted on maps rather than on the ground.

The armed forces of Belgium, Canada, Britain, France, the Netherlands, and the United States will take part, as well as West Germany, Luxembourg and Portugal will also be participating for the first time in a joint exercise.—Reuter.

Dulles Returns

Washington, Mar. 17.

MR John Foster Dulles, Secretary of State, said today that the third SEATO Council meeting he attended last week in Australia had increased friendship and fellowship among the anti-Communist nations interested in the Pacific.

Greeted by senior State Department representatives and members of Washington's diplomatic corps, Mr Dulles said of the SEATO conference:

"We had a very good meeting. It was not spectacular but it did serve to build further the solid foundation of that organisation, and increase the friendship and fellowship of all concerned against the constant menace of communism.

"We must never forget that the United States is a Pacific as well as Atlantic power."

With a glance towards Sir Harold Caccia, the British Ambassador, who was on hand to meet him, Mr Dulles said: "Now I have to get ready for the Bermuda conference."

Mr Dulles was due to leave on Wednesday by air for Bermuda to be with President Eisenhower during the meeting there with Mr Harold Macmillan, the British Prime Minister.—Reuter.



"OH! HOW SIMPLE—JUST GET MARRIED!"

RENE LECLER

ALL was not sunshine in Moscow and Rainie's biggest crisis was still to come.

The interlude with Onassis had not solved the problem of how to make Monte Carlo a profitable enterprise once more.

Rainier earnestly discussed the subject with his ministers and it was finally agreed to use the whole of the Sthate treasury—about seven million pounds — to finance a vast development plan.

There would be a new city by the sea, a 17-storey skyscraper, a new station, conference halls, new gardens.

New Monte Carlo

The Treasury could not quite cover the vast cost and so two of Rainier's favourite advisers, Arthur Crovetto and Cesar Solamito were given the job of finding new funds.

A good idea soon came along. Unofficially the two men invested a million pounds of the State funds in a business organisation called the Bank of Precious Metals. The precious metals in the case were gold from French commercial interests wishing to advertise on television.

French laws forbid television advertising, but Monaco is an independent State and so it was decided that the Bank would build a brand new television station and studios right on the hills above the city. Since space was short in the Principality, the planners chose a spot on the French side of the border, arguing that since the whole enterprise would be Monegasque in character and backing it would be respected as such by the French authorities. Or would it?

Crovetto, Solamito and their associates were jubilant. In their eyes, the station—Tele Monte Carlo—was already built and busily sending round-the-clock sponsored programmes to the rest of France. Money would flow into the State coffers. It sounded like a good idea.

After months of delaying actions, the French Government finally made up its mind: the station, it said, was in French territory and since French regulations prevented commercial television, the station would not be allowed to open. . . . Down went the hopes of the speculators, down went the shares, crash went the Bank of Precious Metals. Private investors rushed to save their money and the Bank paid them with what was left over from the Monaco State funds.

Meanwhile the solitary Prince, hounded by the most dazzling and marriageable women in Europe, continued to grieve for the one girl he loved but could not have. Gisele Pascal had gone out of his life and left him empty.

One day, Father Tucker drove over and looked everywhere for the Prince. He walked through the gardens. On a garden seat he saw a woman's sun hat. The place almost looked haunted.

He heard sounds of hammering from an old outhouse where Rainier had built himself a workshop. The Prince was at his bench working on a beautiful crucifix made of wrought iron. After a while the two men walked down to the little beach and went fishing together, Rainier with his goggles on and his harpoon in his hand and Father Tucker working the boat.

The Prince reappeared in public but he shunned the limelight and went to work with great concentration to equip his yacht the *Deo Juvante II* for a long sea voyage. He spent thousands of pounds on stripping the main cabin and putting in all the latest scientific instruments which he could learn to use, including radar, a radio telephone; the bulkheads were lined with technical books, charts and tropical fish tanks.

It looked almost like Captain Nemo's cabin in the Nautilus.

Rainier studied navigations and, bending over charts into the small hours of the morning, he planned his cruise.

He left Monaco early in November with his eight-man crew and a negro cook. The yacht sailed down to Gibraltar and Tangier, past the Canaries and thence to Conakry, the main port of the French Guinea coast in West Africa. Rainier led his small party in a hunting expedition into the interior. Everywhere they stopped, he inquired about animals, how to trap them without injuring them and how best to take them back to Monte Carlo with him. He was happy.

Buy a Bride

He was highly amused one day in the bush country when his cook, with his permission, selected a bride and bought her from her father. With a French official, Rainier was a witness at the ceremony. Jokingly, he said, "I wish my problem were as simple as that."

Through the radio telephone and a relay of messages, Rainier sent orders to Monaco to have more animal cages ready for his return, both at the Palace and at the Villa Iberia. In all he took away with him four chimpanzees, two baboons (one of which he captured himself), several marmosets, a pelican, two lovely young gazelles, an egret and many other kinds of birds. They were housed in carefully made compounds on the decks of the yacht and Rainier took over the feeding arrangements.

The yacht sailed back, up the West African coast and at every chance Rainier dived overboard with the full deep-diving apparatus which he had purchased in France. He collected over sixty rare specimens of fish for the Oceanographic Museum, including over a dozen which had never been catalogued by the experts. Unfortunately, the weather on the return voyage was bad, the boat rolled, and the specially built tanks which lined the cabins were broken. Most of the fish died on the way.

On January 17, 1955, *Deo Juvante II* passed the small lighthouse at the entrance to Monte Carlo harbour. Rainier was home, a changed man. Willingly he posed for press photographs with a chimpanzee on each shoulder. He was tremendously fit, sunburnt and wore a collar beard which, much to the regret of his subjects, he shaved off the next day.

The West African cruise had given Rainier a breathing space, but otherwise it had only served to whet the appetites of the Monte Carlo marriage makers.

Husband Hunters

In the months that followed he was introduced, casually or officially, to no fewer than thirteen daughters of kings and princes and millionaire magnates. He still said no. The Mayor of Monaco declared, "We have several times begged His Highness to alleviate the anxiety of the nation by choosing a Princess." Once, invited to be a passenger in a cruise of millionaires around the Greek Islands, Rainier scanned the guest list and said, "Too many marriageable girls among the passengers. Thank you very much."

The world wanted so much to see him married now that girls with aspirations to become the Princess of Monaco took to travelling all the way to the Palace from many countries just for a chance to meet the Prince. A few weeks after his return from West Africa, a young student at the University of Illinois in Chicago, Jo Ann Storck, made world news by doing just that: she had heard, she said, that His Serene Highness was partial to American women and she had come to show him what an ordinary American girl looked like. A good-looking brunette, Jo Ann nearly waited in vain as the Prince, rather angry, refused to receive her. But in the end his sense of humour won and he invited her to the Palace. He showed the young student his animals, his stamp collection and took her for a moonlight ride in one of his fastest sports cars. To Jo Ann, the Prince as "Charming, a real gentleman and so handsome. . . ." but the next morning, she flew back to Chicago.

The marriage question took on such proportions that in the end Rainier was forced to broadcast to his people about it.

With the world listening in he said, "The question of my marriage which so rightly preoccupies you, interests me, believe me, much more. Though this question has a political aspect which is far from leaving me indifferent, it also has a human side which I hope has not escaped anyone. . . ."

This statement satisfied the Monegasques, for a short while. At least it assured them that their handsome Prince had not made a vow of celibacy. Quite unobtrusively, Rainier went on with his chosen pastimes. At the Villa Iberia, he cleared an acre of garden to make room for an entirely new and much bigger private zoo; he now had a collection of 128 animals. At the Oceanographic Museum he spent many hours discussing modernisation plans with the curator.

But whoever mentioned the name of Rainier really thought of marriage and one day in April 1955, the Prince told a determined inquirer that in his eyes the ideal life companion should have "blue eyes, fair hair, a sense of humour, a love of animals, an interest in outdoor sport and a fondness for children." Asked to say whether he had found such a mate, Rainier replied with a curt "No."

TOMORROW
The Prince meets GRACE KELLY



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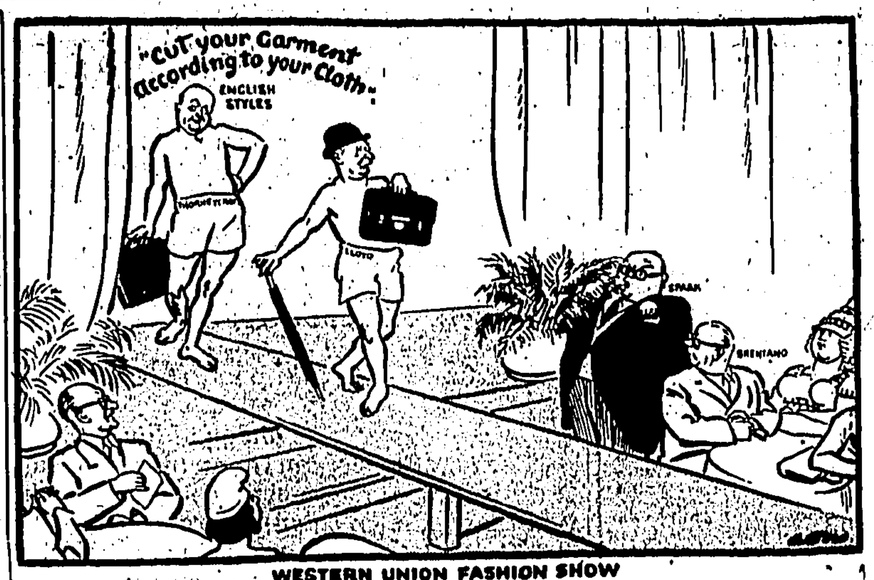
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DO WORKERS WANT TO RUN THEIR OWN MANAGEMENT?

By LES ARMOUR

Port Talbot poses a momentous question which Britain must answer—"Should workers start running their own factories?"

PORT TALBOT is a booming, prosperous, happy town on the South Wales coast.

The vast yellow-brick building which houses Margam Works, Europe's most modern steel works and probably its most efficient, breaths life and wealth into the surrounding countryside.

In the depression of the 'thirties, Port Talbot was desolated, its population largely reduced to penury. Now, no trace of former poverty remains—except in the minds of the people who live there.

And that is where the trouble begins. . . .

Last week the government completed its plans to sell the Steel Company of Wales, which owns the Port Talbot works, to private enterprise. It has taken a long time—because there is a staggering amount of money involved.

Margam Works was built after the Labour Government nationalised the industry and it cost £80 million pounds then. It is now—with additions—reckoned to be worth nearly £120 million.

RELIEF—

To the government and to the management, the deal comes as a considerable relief. The industry has been half-nationalised and half in the hands of private enterprise for a long time the uncertainty did no one any good.

But to the people who live in Port Talbot and work in the steel mill, the situation looks different.

They remember that it was nationalised industry which put the town on its feet and that, before nationalisation, the owners had wanted to locate the new plant in the Midlands.

Naturally, they do not think that anyone is going to try to move the works. They just don't trust private enterprise.

Only hours after the government revealed its sale plans, the 25 branches of the Steel Workers' Union passed a resolution pledging their members to resist the sale with every means at their disposal.

It is doubtful whether they themselves know what the resolution is supposed to mean. But feeling in favour of strong action, perhaps a strike, is reportedly growing fast.

What is certain, however, is that trouble in Margam Works will mean real trouble for Britain. And it is difficult to see what sort of solution is possible.

A union spokesman pointed out that the plant was built with public funds and that it "belongs to the nation".

The words are, of course, true enough—but not in quite the way the union leaders take them to be.

The plant was built with government funds and belongs to the government. The government is responsible to the public and the public has authorised it to sell the plant.

The government is not responsible to the steel workers in Port Talbot and, constitutionally, it would be a very serious thing if the government gave in to the steel workers.

On the other side, the matter is a highly personal and emotional one to the steel workers. They have regarded the steel plant (such is the power of emotional words like "nationalisation") as somehow their own. They feel that the government is taking it away from them.

No doubt the Labour Party will try to explain to them that a nationalised industry no more belongs to its workers than a privately owned one. The Labour Party, no more than the Conservative Party, believes in government by strike.

But it will be a dismal business for the Socialist politicians and it will not make anyone happy in Port Talbot.

They blame part of the trouble on the fact that only one employer in five distributes information about the firm's profits and assets to its employees.

They insist that "every employee, by reason of his employment, has a moral title to information concerning the progress of the company."

The fair inference, however, is that much of the labour management friction which is currently manifesting itself in strikes aimed at usurping the functions of management has its roots in lack of information. But that, in turn, (since employees do not seem to be very interested in getting the information), seems to depend on complex psychological factors.

Employees simply do not feel that they have interests in common with the managements. It is unlikely that the distribution of printed forms listing the company's profits will, by itself, help much.

One good test of the times is always the state of the pawnbroking business.

And it's never been worse.

A count last week revealed that there are only 1,002 pawnbrokers still in business in Britain. Thirty years ago, there were more than 5,000.

All of which means that things are better than ever in Britain. For the "uncles" never go broke because they're left with too many unclaimed pledges. They go broke when nobody pawns anything.

It seems that the Englishman who used to pawn his Sunday suit from Monday to Saturday now wears it all week.

DESERTION

Also on the downgrade is the Communist Party.

It has lost 20 percent of its membership in the last year according to official figures published last week.

Worse, its officials speak of a "loss of quality" in the membership—which presumbly means that only the unquestioning still hang on.

One of those may be Mr John Gollan, the party's general secretary who said, after seeing the figures, "It must be made clear that the party will not decide its policy on the basis of threats of resignation from anyone."

Mr Gollan may take some comfort from the fact that eventually he may be able to elect himself leader by acclamation.

APATHY

The Port Talbot dispute is just one instance of the growing concern—often confused and lacking in direction—of workers with the management of their enterprises.

The upsurge has prompted the British Institute of Management to do some probing.

They have discovered that in some companies as few as three percent of workers have ever even taken an interest in the firm's profits. In no case did they find a company in which more than 10 percent were interested.

Even among what they describe as "senior staff" they find no very great interest in the overall affairs of the company.

USEFUL

Librarians continue to boast, year after year, about the increases in public library circulation.

No one, however, is very sure just what the customers do with the books after they take them away.

Some idea was forthcoming at Bridlington last week when the public library put on display some of the books "readers" had returned.

Prize exhibit was a book shown open at the title page. Across it in large ink letters were the words: "Fish and Chips in the Oven. Make some fresh tea."

Books, it seems, have their uses.

• BY • THE • WAY •

by Beachcomber

THE American who has gone to Africa to hunt elephants with a bow and arrow should be introduced to the Tiverton solicitor who catches salmon in a butterfly net as they leap the weirs.

Dr Strabismus (Whom God Preserve) of Utrecht once patented a trout-tickler which made the trout laugh so heartily that they were easy game. I myself once caught a Pyrenean bear in the valley of Ossau in an odd way. I stood on its front paws, while my companion, Mr D. B. Wyndham Lewis, brought the edge of his hand down sharply on the back of its neck—a trick picked up in "Lefty" Zamoglio's on Broadway. The skin is now a rug in the National Liberal Club.

This gets us nowhere

"LET us take," said the magistrate, "the purely imaginary case of a fat man with a thin neck, or a thin man with a fat neck. The fat man could wear a thin man's collar, provided he wore it round his neck, and the thin man could wear a fat man's collar, with the same proviso." "Yes," said the man, "but the whole thing breaks down if the fat man has a fat neck and the thin man a thin neck." "That's what I meant," said the magistrate. "Neither need wear a collar round his waist." "Why should he?" asked the man. "Why should he what?" snapped the stipendiary impatiently. "It was an imaginary case." "Then what are we arguing about?" asked the man. "If the men were imaginary their collars must be imaginary, wherever they wore them." "You can't wear an imaginary collar," said the magistrate. "Well then," said the man.

Bottle the whole thing, Frazer



The new grease-proof treatment of external phosphorus by the Devinter rotation isolator, when the tensor constant is damned nearly upside down.

Exceptional cases

"THERE are striking signs," said a speaker the other day, "that the workers do not intend the brotherhood of man to be an empty phrase."

This active brotherhood that stirs,
And gives today such striking signs,
Does not apply to foreigners
Who want to work in British mines.

YOUR BIRTHDAY ... By STELLA

MONDAY, MARCH 18

BORN today you have great talents for leadership, provided you make full use of your natural gifts. You are born to dominate others by means of your ideas and, consequently, you must be ever sure that your basic ideas are sound and for the best good of all. A fine doctrinaire, you must make sure that you are also practical in your approach to life.

You have a great deal of personal magnetism and know how to present your side of the argument convincingly and with brilliance. You have definite talents as a politician and can become a statesman if you learn to outgrow your "little pond" and take the broad, long view. You do not, however, enjoy opposition, and although it may whet your appetite for a good fight, you are not always as tactful as you might be at such times. You women may not be as interested in public affairs but will shine as hostesses in your own homes or as entertainers on the stage or screen, in radio or television.

In selecting a marriage partner, be sure that you find someone who is as energetic, positive and aggressive as you are. But also make sure that your partner goes along with your ideas. Two sets of different ideas in the same family would tend to tear it apart in no time.

Among those born on this date were: Francis Lieber, educator; Grover Cleveland, U.S. President; Richard Pearson Strong, biologist; William Duer and John C. Calhoun, statesmen; Smiley Burdette, musician; and Betty Compton, actress.

To find what the stars have in store for you tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

TUESDAY, MARCH 19

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—By paying attention to duty and getting a job done promptly you will have spare hours for pleasure.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—An active day in which impressive progress can be made if you assert your individuality.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Be careful in making any verbal or written pronouncement at this time. Hold on to your temper, too!

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—One of those days in which you need to watch your step! Look before you leap into action and all will be well.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)—Take care of confidential matters, especially any involving the future of children. All should work out well.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Aspects are improving for you, but still exert caution if you plan to travel any distance today.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—Wishful thinking is no good! Facts are what tell the story. Stick to practical matters if you are to win out.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—Get your affairs in good order and you will have no difficulty if an emergency should arise.

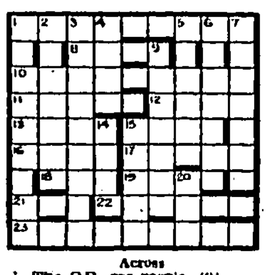
SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—Be alert in all that you undertake, particularly if it has to do with legal or financial matters.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Not the best time to make important decisions. Use discretion in business affairs. Postpone action.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—If you are faithful to duty and conscientious in all detail, you will find that you make as good progress as possible.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—When you have a positive, constructive attitude, chances of progressing toward your goal are good.

CROSSWORD



Across

1. The O.D. car people. (9)
8. "A reeling —— a rolling —— and such as we did tread." (Chesterton.) (4)
10. Is this what the diver hands up? (6-3)
11. Helpers for 1 Across. (5)
12. Ho! It answers a toast. (4)
13. More than half of parlour. (4)
15. 12 Across is usual in this. (4)
16. The colour is a kind of brown. (4)
17. Battled over by cricketers. (5)
18. Look! (3)
19. It goes with a fuse and a fight. (4)
21. Give it when first aid is needed. (3)
22. Loon gets a steamship to make a class room study. (6)
23. Steers air towards an anagram. (9)

Down

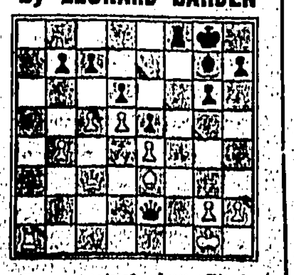
1. Spear paid (anag.). (9)
2. The I.O.U. gets among the imps. (7)
3. They organise theatrical shows. (9)
4. Solitary. (4)
5. Waiting game for bandits. (6)
6. Ted gets a hank. (7)
7. Propose. (7)
9. Brings low. (7)
14. The lever returns. (4)
15. Smack spots. (5)
20. Employ the centre of the muses. (3)

A	B	I	L	I	T	I	E	S	
H	O	C	K	N	A	C	K	S	
T	O	E	I	T	I	L	S	A	
S	N	L	W	E	L	L	E	N	
T	R	A	I	N	L	O	A	D	
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R	O	M	A	N	C	E	S	A	
G	R	O	U	G	H	T	R	Y	

Saturday's Solution

CHESS

By LEONARD BARDEN



From actual play; Black to move and win.

Solution to Saturday's problem: 1 Kt—Q5—tricky line openings and clearings.

•JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Trump Echo Sets Bidder

BY OSWALD JACOBY

THE play at all tables of today's hand in a duplicate game started the same way. Clubs were opened and continued with South trumping the third lead.

South promptly cashed his ace and king of trumps and led his singleton diamond toward dummy's king-jack combination. When West ducked, the king was played and the contract made. When West rose with the ace of diamonds the hand was down one.

In all instances except one West had to guess about this play. When J. Edward Morrow of Joplin, Mo., held the East

NORTH (D) 17
♠ 3 2
♥ A 8 6
♦ K J 9 3
♣ 8 6 3 2

WEST	EAST
♠ 5	♠ Q J 10
♥ 9 7 5 4	♥ J 10 3
♦ A 8 6 5	♦ Q 10 4 2
♣ K Q J 10	♣ A 9 7

SOUTH
♠ A K 9 8 7 6 4
♥ K Q 2
♦ 7
♣ 5 4

East and West vulnerable

North	East	South	West
Pass	Pass	4 ♠	Pass
Pass	Pass		

Opening lead—♣ K

cards he was able to play his trumps in such manner that Mrs Morrow sitting West was able to read him for a sure spade trick. Hence, Mrs Morrow had no problem at all about going up with her diamond ace.

Put yourself in Jed's place and see if you have a definite method to show the spade trick.

He simply dropped the queen of spades under the ace and then played the ten spot under the king. This play of the queen first would have been silly if he did not hold the jack. Hence, Mrs Morrow knew that her husband held the jack, and her play of the diamond ace was automatic.

♣CARD Sense♦

Q—The bidding has been:

West	North	East	South
1 ♠	Double	Pass	?

You, South, hold:
♠ 2 ♥ J 7 6 5 ♦ A K 9 8 7 ♣ A 4 3
What do you do?

A—**Bid two spades. You want to serve notice on your partner that there is at least a game in this hand.**

TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold:
♠ Q J 10 9 6 ♥ A 2 ♦ 5 4 3 ♣ 7 6 3
What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

TARGET

L	S	I
E	I	D
V	B	I

HOW many words of four letters or more can you make from the letters in the square on the left? In making each word, the letters in each of the small squares may be used once only. Each word *must* contain the large letter in the centre square, and there must be at least one nine-letter word in the list. No plurals; no foreign words; no proper names. TODAY'S TARGET: 10 words, *good*; 18 words, *very good*; 22 words, *excellent*. Solution tomorrow.

SATURDAY'S SOLUTION: Aame aeern aeen aneev anen aenesee arsen aame aanner aanes asnen aereen aasern aenes aerner aenter aersen aene aern aernes aran arams arane aarn aniaes aneers aname erne neere near neen nenee nene nees neeer geaen anee aner rantes reasent REEDHANDS reen aarne aean aenne. aane aeern aersen aeanee aeen aenne aniare aneer anere

WOMANSENSE



"Faust", an afternoon ensemble from Carven. In grey and white printed silk, the jacket typifies the youthful theme of the designer's spring-summer collection.—Agence France-Presse.

Young Woman's Ceaseless Campaign Against Pain

A SLIM, attractive young housewife set out from her home after breakfast, leaving her baby in the care of her mother-in-law. She returned at lunch time.

She did that three times last week, and she will do it three times this week, and next week, and the week after that, and so on. She will, in fact, spend 156 mornings a year — some 540 hours—away from her home and baby, seeking relief from pain.

Her name—Mrs Smith. Her age—only 25.

Mrs Smith is one of the world's countless victims of crippling "rheumatism." She has to have frequent treatment, spending anything from two to six hours each time in the cause of relief from one of the commonest and least understood of human complaints.

She told me her story simply, and cheerfully. She was a normal, healthy young woman until last October, two months after the birth of her child.

SUDDEN ATTACK

Then, quite suddenly she felt pain in her feet and legs; in a few weeks she could hardly walk, and by Christmas her hands were swelling and stiffening.

She consulted her doctor, and after careful examination she was pronounced a victim to rheumatoid arthritis, and was advised to have treatment at a clinic.

Sitting there, her feet and hands covered with a thin film of warm wax which, after twenty minutes, was gently peeled off, she said: "I just couldn't believe it when they said I had rheumatism. It makes you sound so old!"

Her case is not an uncommon one. It is more than likely, I was told, that it had nothing to do with the birth of her baby, but that her pregnancy had, in fact, delayed the symptoms.

If she had another baby, then her trouble would most probably improve, temporarily. Just as her condition, and that of hundreds of thousands of others, is relieved — temporarily — by routine treatments; mud packs, wax baths, short-wave diathermy, exercises on land and in water.

But nothing, yet, has been found to cure it for good, as patients themselves know and accept with wonderful resignation.

As yet little is known of the cause of "rheumatism" — the word loosely covers a vast field of diverging signs and symptoms—and until the cause is known a permanent cure cannot be found.

Most of the patients — about seventy-five percent, it is estimated—who attend for treatment are suffering from rheumatoid arthritis (the type which visibly swells the joints of hands and feet) or osteo-arthritis. Some have both, and are treated for both.

"THE BEST THING"

Treatment which brings relief to one may have no effect on another, though they are, apparently, suffering from the same thing.

So something else is tried, until a treatment which "suits" each individual patient is found. And once found, they will not change.

But all the time, doctors are honest with them. They tell patients there is no permanent cure, that they can only find the "best thing for them."

I was told of one unusual case—the case of a 66-year-old widow who has suffered from rheumatoid arthritis of the leg and arm and back since 1915.

She, too, tried "everything" to ease her pain, which made her virtually a complete cripple. But she is no longer one. She makes rugs, does fine embroidery work, entertains, runs her home. She is not cured, but the improvement is remarkable. How? Through a periodic series of injections made specially for her from a "bug" isolated from "fluid" which collects in her affected joints.

"But, of course," she says, "I am a very exceptional case."

Nevertheless exceptional cases may hold valuable clues which will help medical researchers to find the ultimate answer to a crippling malady.

— J. WILKIE



Named "Buckingham", this formal evening dress is in white satin heavily embroidered with silver. It is worn with a white mink bolero. From Pierre Balmain. — Agence France-Presse.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

By Hillary Wentworth

1. A tape measure is always handy when you are sewing. Stick one along the front of your machine, then varnish over it to keep it in position.

2. When storing clothes place a piece of fresh mint between the folds to keep away moths. Leave them until you bring the garments out of storage, then shake and brush vigorously.

3. If you want to change the colour of your outdoor furniture, it is a good idea to apply an enamel undercoat before you apply the new colour. This is especially advisable if you are changing from a dark to a light shade.

4. To clean an electric iron: first remove brown stains by rubbing the stained parts with a soft cloth dipped in finely powdered whitening, then in vinegar. Polish with a clean cloth.

5. To clean a wooden fruit bowl, rub it with a clean soft cloth, moistened with a few drops of olive oil. Obstinate marks may be removed by gentle friction with fine steel wool.

NEW TREND IN MODERN TOYS

New York.

TOUR the five acres of toys on display in Manhattan and wonder what became of child's play.

Modern toys put the kids to work. They train and teach, and give the child a shot of realism to go along with fantasy.

Toy vacuum cleaners sweep for real. Toy cooking kits turn little girls into culinary experts. Electric drills make boys junior editions of the handyman around the house. Games teach spelling, history and the multiplication tables. Kits teach sewing.

Even dolls, the world's most popular toy, give a little girl lectures on how to brush her teeth, or be Mama's little helper. (A phonograph record concealed in the doll's back takes care of this). One doll is a realistic flirt. Weights in her skull make her roll her eyes like a live coquette.

"This trend is as it should be," said David Marx of The Toy Guidance Council, a group of experts who suggest toys to fit a child's age, meet safety standards and provide educational value.

"Toys have become playtools rather than playthings," said Marx. "They develop a child's skill, reflect the adult life around him, train him to be sociable."

HERE TO STAY

Argue with the council if you are one of those whose "playtools" as a child were mud pies and a home-made sled. But the toys with a purpose are here to stay, if the display by the 1,600 exhibitors at the annual toy fair are any indication.

"The whole trend is to copying the adult world," said a spokesman for the toy manufacturers of the U.S.A., sponsors of this, the 54th annual fair. The fair gives a preview of what later will fill Christmas stockings. Some 125,000 toys are on display in assorted office showrooms and several floors of two hotels.

The toy industry estimates 1957 sales will climb to a record $1.6 billion, compared with last year's approximate $1.3 billion. The new record will be for two reasons, said Abraham Swedlin, president of the manufacturers. Both the birth rate and the amount of disposable personal income keep rising.

Some other highlights of this year's toy fair:

The cowboy and Indian influence continues.

Construction toys are more numerous, and more complicated than ever. New plastic sets enable fans to build sky-scrapers 25 to 30 storeys high.

One favourite example of the adult influence on toys: a talkie-walkie doll, new in a line edited of the attache case, Madison Avenue fashion.—United Press.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

He Missed A Birthday

—O'Scowl Must Wait A Long Time For Another—

By MAX TRELL

THE magic telephone under the carpet behind the bookcase rang. Knarf and Hanid, the shadow children with the turned-about names, ran to answer it.

"Hello," they said.

A grumbling voice on the other end said: "What date is it?" "The date today," said Hanid, "is March 18, 1957."

Angry Voice

"What!" shouted Pixie O'Scowl in an angry voice. "You mean to tell me it's March 18! Oh, I knew he'd forget to remind me! I just knew he'd forget it!"

"What are you talking about?" Knarf said into the phone. But Pixie O'Scowl had banged down the receiver.

Knarf and Hanid hurried over to the O'Cheer Hall to find out what was the matter.

Reaching O'Cheer Hall, they came on Pixie O'Scowl pacing up and down with his hands behind his back. While on the couch Pixie McSnooze was stretched out trying to do his best, or so it seemed to Knarf and Hanid, to take a nap.

Pixie O'Scowl suddenly went over to the couch and gave Pixie McSnooze a shake.

"Why didn't you remind me, McSnooze? It's your fault! You were supposed to remind me! Wake up!"

Sleepy Pixie

"I'm too sleepy to wake up," Pixie McSnooze answered in a drowsy voice.

Just then Pixie O'Scowl noticed Knarf and Hanid.

"It's all his fault," he said, giving McSnooze another shake. "I left it up to him to remind me, and he didn't do it. So I forgot all about it."

"What didn't he remind you about?" Hanid asked, as she and Knarf sat down.

"He forgot to remind me about my birthday."

"Oh dear," said Hanid, thinking at once of how bad she would feel if she happened to forget about her birthday.

"My birthday was yesterday and here it is today. So my birthday is come and gone. Wake up, McSnooze!" Pixie O'Scowl said, giving McSnooze an extra hard shake.

McSnooze sat up with his eyes tight shut. "I'm awake," he said, "wide awake. Happy Birthday to you!" Then he slid back on the ground again and started snoring.

"Faugh! Happy Birthday," he says. It's too late."

Knarf said: "You'll have another birthday next year. You'll just have to wait O'Scowl."

Pixie O'Scowl shook his head. "I wouldn't mind so much if I only had to wait one year."

"But birthdays come once a year," Hanid said. "Of course, you only have to wait one year. That's the rule."

Not For Pixies

"It's a rule all right, but not for Pixies," muttered Pixie O'Scowl. "Pixies have birthdays only once every hundred years. My next Birthday doesn't come until the year 2057."

Knarf and Hanid could now understand why Pixie O'Scowl was so upset. It's one thing to have to wait only one year for another birthday—"but to have to wait a hundred years! That's awfull" Hanid said to Knarf as they both walked back to the house.

Later in the afternoon they brought Pixie O'Scowl a corn-muffin with raisins in it and a tall glass of cream.

"It's your Day-After-Birthday present," said Hanid.

"Happy-Day - After - Birthday to you!" said Knarf.

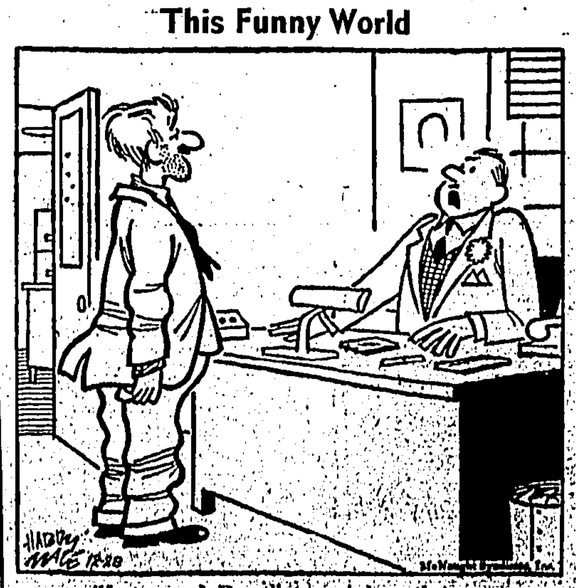
"Thank you," said Pixie O'Scowl, smiling for the first time.

McSnooze was still fast asleep but Knarf put a raisin in his mouth. McSnooze chewed it and swallowed it, but didn't wake up. He just smiled in his sleep. After all, it wasn't his birthday!



"It's your fault," O'Scowl told McSnooze.

This Funny World



"Just a word, Donnell, to remind you that you have what is known in the trade as a white collar job."

Rupert and the Windy Day—45



When all are safely landed the stranger hurries to pick up his belongings while Willie, who has not seen it before, gazes in awe at the dark, mysterious hole. "Well, I must be going," says the man. "You young folks have done a great thing for me. What rewards would you like?"

don't want a reward," says Rupert. "And I'm sure Geoffrey doesn't unless we could help Willie who has lost his lovely new box-kite." "Right, that's settled," declares the man. "We shall have the best kite money can buy! I'll go and choose it myself." And he waves goodbye.

Another Rupert Adventure — RUPERT and the GIANT'S CASTLE $1.00 AT S. C. M. POST LTD.

YESTERDAY'S SOCCER

KITCHEE EARNS A WELL DESERVED 5-3 VICTORY OVER SOUTH CHINA

By "TOUCHWOOD"

What a frustrating experience it was for South China—a team much favoured to capture the Hongkong Football Association Senior League title this season—to lose to Kitchee after having taken a 3-1 interval lead, only to see their opponents creep up goal by goal to level the score by the 25th minute and then for good measure slam in two more to register a well deserved 5-3 victory at the Government Stadium yesterday evening.

Mok Chun-wah's opening goal before the 5th minute pointed to a runaway victory for South China. It was so spectacular and sudden that fans accorded the Nam Wah left winger a sustained ovation for it was a picture goal.

While Mok was brilliant, Lee Yuk-tak, Ho Cheung-yau, Chu Wing-wah and Tsui Pak-lit lacked cohesion. Time and again these four players found their passes going to the wrong man.

Lee, though he scored a goal towards the end of the first half, was not at his best. This South China centre-forward muffed chance after chance.

The South China defence played like a machine that had run down. They were on top when they enjoyed a commanding lead, but once their opponents were on even terms Tan Kar-sow and Luk Tak-hay panicked, leaving wide gaps for the Kitchee team to take pot shots at Lau Kin-chung.

Kitchee's third goal, scored by right winger Yeung Wai-to, caused a commotion in the $2.40 covered stand. Two highly excited fans were engaged in a battle of words that caught the attention of the whole stadium and the timely arrival of the Police probably averted a free for all. With the score at 3-3 the tension was electric.

The turning point in the match came when Tan Kar-sow handled the ball in attempting to clear in the 25th minute after the restart. As Yeung Wai-to placed the ball on the spot there was a complete silence for a goal at this period would have made a world of difference to either side. A deafening roar greeted Yeung as he kicked the ball to the right of Lau Kin-chung, beyond retrieving to give Kitchee a 4-3 lead.

South China never recovered from this setback. Inspired by this goal the Kitchee team practically dictated terms, forcing the Nam Wah boys on the defensive.

THE GAME

Three minutes after the start South China were one up when Mok Chun-wah on his own worked his way past two defenders on the right, took aim and then sent in a shoulder high shot that rested in the back of the net.

It was a good start which gave the Carolliners just the incentive to get into scoring mood. Kitchee nearly evened the score when Chan Chi-kong failed to stop Szeto Man in his dash for goal and only the timely clearance of Tan Kar-sow averted what would have been a goal.

South China now held a slight edge over their opponents but the forwards missed repeatedly with wild shots. By the 33rd minute Kitchee levelled the score when Szeto Man crossed a well placed shot for right-winger Yeung Wai-to to beat Lau Kin-chung.

This goal forced the South China team into activity and in a rousing raid Tsui Pak-lit lofted over a shot in front of the Kitchee goalmouth and in a split second Chu Wing-wah headed the ball into the net to give a 2-1 lead to the Carolliners.

A 44th minute raid by South China's Lee Yuk-tak, who gained possession of the ball through Chu Wing-wah, saw the former drawing out the Kitchee goalkeeper and leisurely placing the ball into the net for goal number three which gave the Carolliners a 3-1 interval lead.

After an uphill battle for the first five minutes of the second half, Kitchee dominated play. Their forwards pounced on every loose ball and made full use of their chances. A Chan Fai-hung-Szeto Man combination resulted in a beautiful first timer by Szeto Man that had Lau Kin-chung completely beaten.

By the 25th minute Kitchee levelled the score when a nice shot off the boot of Yeung Wai-to made it 3-3 and then Kitchee went ahead for the first time when Tan Kar-sow was penalised for handling the ball. Szeto Yiu gave Kitchee a 4-3 lead with a waist high shot. To make it a more convincing victory, Kitchee's Yeung Wai-to lifted the ball over a charging Lau Kin-chung and into the net.

THE TEAMS

Kitchee: Tam Nai-huen; Szeto Yiu, Lai Shue-ping; Chan Fai-hung, Lee Ping-chiu, Chau Man-chi; Yeung Wai-to, Szeto Man, Kwok Ying-lok, Kwok Yau, Szeto Sum.

South China: Lau Kin-chung; Ng Wai-man, Tan Kar-sow; Kwok Kam-hung, Luk Tat-hay, Chan Chi-kong; Chui Pak-lit, Chu Wing-wah, Lee Yuk-tak, Ho Cheung-yau, Mok Chun-wah.

Referee: E. G. Dawson.

Two Titles For Eddie In German Open Badminton Tourney

Bonn, Mar. 17.

Eddie Choong (Malaya), regarded as World Badminton Champion, today won the German Open Singles title and, with his brother David, took the Men's Doubles.

But partnered by Barbara Carpenter, of Britain, he was beaten in a third final—the Mixed Doubles—by a Danish pair.

The Women's Singles and Doubles final became all Denmark when Miss Carpenter and Betty Newman, of the United States, were eliminated in semi-finals.

Inger Kjaergaard, who beat the American, retained the Women's Singles.

Eddie Choong had won the Men's Singles for the past two years and today's final was a repetition of last year's when he beat Ferry Sonneville (Indonesia).

THE RESULTS

Men's Singles: Semi-finals: Eddie Choong (Malaya) beat Arne Rasmussen (Denmark) 15-2 15-3;

Ferry Sonneville (Indonesia) beat Bent Albertsen (Denmark) 15-9, 15-3.

Final: Choong beat Sonneville 15-12, 15-12.

Women's Singles: Semi-finals: Hanne Jensen (Denmark) beat Barbara Carpenter (Britain) 11-8, 10-12, 11-2.

Inger Kjaergaard (Denmark) beat Betty Newman (United States) 11-3, 11-1;

Final: Kjaergaard beat Jensen 11-4, 11-9.

Men's Doubles: Semi-finals: Eddie Choong and David Choong (Malaya) beat Erland Kops and Albertsen (Denmark) 7-15, 15-6, 15-7.

Arne Rasmussen (Denmark) and Ferry Sonneville (Indonesia) beat J. Koch and Dieter Fuellbeck (West Germany) 15-2, 15-7.

Final: E. Choong and D. Choong beat Rasmussen and Sonneville 15-9, 17-18, 15-9.

Women's Doubles Final: Agnete Friis and Hanne Jensen (Denmark) beat Inger Kjaergarrd and Bitten Nielsen (Denmark) 18-14 15-11.

Mixed Doubles: Semi-finals: Agnete Friis and Erland Kops (Denmark) beat Hanne Jensen and Arne Rasmussen (Denmark) 15-5, 15-9.

Final:

Friis and Kops beat Barbara Carpenter (Britain) and Eddie Choong (Malaya) 15-6, 15-10.—Reuter.

French Racehorse Owner Announces £98,000 Winnings

Paris, Mar. 17.

M. Marcel Boussac, the French racehorse owner, announced today that his stable won 98,000,000 francs (£98,000 sterling) in French, English and Irish flat races during the 1956 season.

He said he would, during 1957, entrust his 93 horses in training to Charlie Elliott, former English jockey, and M. Bonaventure.

Serge Boullenger, the textile magnate's chief jockey for the past two years, will again wear the Boussac colours.—China Mail Special.

STILL PLAYING

When Quartermaster Sergeant Jack King was blown up in France in World War I he was told he would never walk again—at least, not upright. But now, at the age of 63, he is still playing hockey for Olton in the Birmingham District. Has also played for Warwickshire, Lincolnshire and Worcestershire since he was given his "finis" in 1916.

Startling Change

Staffs County League leaders Armitage FC were losing 4-5 with only a minute to go in their Junior Cup tie with Brereton. Then they equalised, and in extra time they won, fantastically, by 9-6.

Pete Cooper Wins His Second Open Golf Title

St Petersburg, Florida, Mar. 17.

Pete Cooper, the greying little veteran from Lakeland, Florida, ran away with his second St Petersburg Open title by four strokes today in a final round of pressure golf against Jack Burke Jr.

Cooper and Burke started the final 18 holes all even and it was Cooper, playing his first tournament on the winter tour, who came in the victor. He shot a final round 65, six strokes under par, for a 209 total, only three strokes over the record for this tournament.

Burke, the 1956 Masters Champion, finished with a 69 for 273, signalling the end of a long slump.

Tied for third at 275 came Art Wall Jr. and Don January, each shooting a 69 over the last 18 holes.

Cary Middlecoff finished fifth with a 69-277, then came Dow Finsterwald and Chick Harbert at 278.

The $1,700 victory for the 42-year-old Cooper was his first tournament win since 1952 at Virginia Beach.—United Press.

NOTICE

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Programmes and Entry Forms for the 10th Race Meeting 1956/57 to be held on Saturday, 30th March and Saturday 6th April, 1957, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Alexandra House; the Club House, Happy Valley; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Tuesday, 19th March, 1957.

By Order of the Stewards,
A. E. ARNOLD,
Secretary.

MATTHEWS RECEIVES THE CBE



Stanley Matthews, the England and Blackpool footballer, with his wife Betty, and his daughter Jean (18), after he had been presented with the CBE at Buckingham Palace by H.M. The Queen, on March 13.—Central Press Photo.

INTERPORT TRIAL

All Problems Solved By The League Of Wicket-Takers

By "RECORDER"

While the Interport selectors sat in conference yesterday evening in the card room of the Kowloon Cricket Club, the Wicket-takers' League, a very happy fraternity, presented me with the best solution to Hongkong's Interport problems.

A solution with which I heartily agree — send no batsmen to Malaya. Quite frankly they don't deserve to go and if we send 12 bowlers instead with one captain, one wicket-keeper and one scorer, Hongkong cricket will be most ably represented.

There were chuckles wherever cricketers congregated at today's lunchtime on what happened at the Interport trial at the KCC yesterday—largely over David Pettit's hat trick. He yorked three of the Colony's aspiring Interport batsmen in succession and the first six Mainland batsmen to wander back to the pavilion marched to the rhythm of a tight game softball scorecard—just 0-0-0-0-0-0.

The rot was stopped by Greenhalgh and Frank Findlay and later Remedios, much better known as a bowler. Findlay scored a very nice 52 runs and Remedios' 31 was a batsman's—not a hitter's—innings. Bob Bell was undefeated with 10 at the close in the best spirit of the "bowlers dominate the game" tradition.

As the Island batted it was Greenhalgh's turn to laugh at the batsmen. He confined his efforts largely to long hops and full tosses, getting down to real bowling only against George Souza.

In this innings Tidey was the main run-getter with 58. The Don Welch batters—an exclusive RAF 1st XI club — contend that Don could have given Tidey his marching orders at 8 and again at 34, but Don only admits that it might have been possible at 34 and that only with a younger and more agile Welch.

Taking all things into consideration over a long season, I am inclined to agree with the League of Wicket-takers that the team to be sent to Malaya should consist of one captain (Frank Findlay by general acclaim), one wicket-keeper, one scorer and 12 bowlers.

No Neutral Ground

Churchfield and Dudley Co-operative both use the same ground at Dudley for their Cradley Heath League matches. Both, strangely enough, have reached the final of the local Senior Cup competition, so, obviously, they are going to play their "neutral" final on the ground which is "home" to both of them.

Japanese Boxer To Meet P.I. Champion

Manila, Mar. 18.

The Philippine bantamweight boxing champion, Little Cezar, will meet Japan's sensational bantamweight, Masakasu Otsuka, in an overweight match on March 30, the Manila fight promoter, Narciso Songle, announces.

Otsuka, more than two months ago, drew with Philippine's Alfredo Asuncion, ninth rated world bantamweight challenger.

The coming bout will be Cezar's first appearance since he successfully defended his bantam title in a draw with Danny Kid last November.

Although odds have not yet been given, boxing experts here claimed that Otsuka would rule a slight favourite over Cezar due to the Japanese boxer's creditable showing against Asuncion.—France-Presse.

He Has Run 100 Yards In 9.4 Seconds And Never Won A Race

New York.

Ken Kave always has been an unlucky sprinter, but his coach believes that his potential ability is such that he will overcome his bad luck.

"Kave has run many good races, but it seems that when he runs a good race, someone else always runs a better one," said Morgan State College coach Eddie Hurt.

Kave was graduated from Morgan last June and now is a lieutenant in the Army Reserve, stationed at the 27th Surgical Hospital at Fort Meade. He is able to compete in the indoor track meets this winter and plans outdoor competition later this year.

His best time for 100 metres was 10.4 seconds, but he failed to make the U.S. Olympic team, and his best time for 100 yards is 9.4 seconds, but he didn't even win that race—his teammate Ed Waters was judged the winner in the same time.

Kave is 24 years old, five feet eleven inches tall, 170 pounds. He majored in physical education at Morgan, and plans to be a high school football and track coach when he leaves the Army. He always is in fine physical fettle.

"Kave has a lot of running still in him," said Hurt. "He has never really reached his peak. I think he has excellent possibilities, and although he was one of Morgan's best sprinters, he still wasn't as good as I know he can be. Maybe he will reach that peak now."

STAR SPRINTER

Kave began his track career when he entered Dunbar High School in his native Washington, DC, and he was a star sprinter, high jumper, long jumper and pole vaulter. At Morgan, located at Baltimore, he concentrated on the 100-yard dash and was anchorman on the fine Morgan 440-yard and 880-yard sprint relay teams.

In this season's indoor meets, he has been finding it impossible to beat little Ira Murchison, and twice has been second to Ira, and third once in 50 and 60-yard dashes.

All have been good races, however, and Kave has been within an eyelash of Murchison each time.

With just a little improvement—and coach Hurt is such that improvement will come—Kave will begin to get a share of first-place ribbons. — United Press.

Bad Sportsmanship?

GEC Colts are top of the Birmingham Works League—Chamberlain and Hookhams are bottom. They had not won a game this season, and earlier GEC had beaten them 13-0. They did not want to play last Saturday because of ground conditions and a blizzard, but GEC insisted. To everyone's surprise C and H's were leading 3-1 with fifteen minutes to go. Then four of the GEC players walked off the field and the match was abandoned. The League are to look into the matter.

The Ordnance Team Were The Actual Victors

By "RECORDER"

An 11-man Hongkong Amateur Athletic Club team, aided by six auxiliaries, won a narrow victory by 155 points to 150 over the 6 Composite Ordnance Depot in an athletics match at the Army ground at Boundary Street yesterday.

6 COD, who used no auxiliaries, were the actual victors and much as the HKAAC may crow about the "iron man" display of such as John Hunter, Stephen Xavier, Sammy Lo and Bill Reeves and the club's mighty phalanx of weight men, at least one of whom must have his arm in a sling by this afternoon, the Ordnance team also provided some four to six event all-rounders.

There were some curious incidents in the course of the afternoon. In the 120 yards high hurdles, in the best Atalanta tradition, John Hunter slowed down in the canter to the tape to make it a dead heat with Sammy Lo. The latter, however, not quite realising his teammate's good intentions, pushed ahead for an inches decision.

The Club may feel justifiably proud of the fact that though Jack Parker was unavailable, eleven points were still collected in this event and in time only very slightly inferior to the best that Great Britain's first string has managed so far in this very sticky Colony.

With the scoreboard showing 121½ against 121½ and only some five events left to go tension became electric. The Hon. Sec. and Father Lawler both took trials in the hop, step and jump as possible third strings for the Club in this event and their efforts were not wasted. Sammy Lo picked up the routine in no time at all and finished third to make it one-two-three for the Club.

SORELY MISSED

It was a great pity that Brother Conrad was not available. He could have scored some very useful points in the 100 and 220 yards. The Club also missed such other great sprinters as J. E. P. Blenkinsop and Johanna Van Vliet, but in this very busy Colony one cannot expect to turn out a full team every afternoon.

Stephen Xavier, after a very flattering 10.1 in the 100 yards dash—made possible largely by Major Webb's damp ammunition—so exhausted himself that he was a non-starter in the 220. However, he made amends later with a 20-foot long jump, a 40½-foot hop, step and jump and a 140-foot javelin throw.

The event of the afternoon was quite definitely the 440 Yards, featuring Capt. Don Gunn of 6 COD and the Club's Archie Lin and Bill Reeves. Contrary to all expectations, Captain Gunn was not pushed back into third place but finished first. He also managed first in the 220—a most shame-faced state of affairs as far as the HKAAC, which has about eight of the Colony's fastest 220 men on its membership roll, is concerned.

Austrian Gold Medallist Wins International Ski Event

Stowe (Vermont), Mar. 17.

Austrian triple gold-medallist, Toni Sailer, today won the men's downhill race of the Stowe International Ski Championships in one minute, 59.5 seconds, with Bud Werner (United States) second in one minute, 59.8 seconds, and Josl Reider of Austria third, in 2 minutes, 1.5 seconds.

Sailer won the combine for the three events, after winning the Giant Slalom and downhill, and placing second in the Slalom. He totalled 1.88 points. Austrian skiers Josl Reider, Christian Pravda and Anderl Molterer took the next three places in that order in the combine.

France's Therese Leduc won the women's combine event, with the American girls, Nonie Foley and Betsy Snite second and third.

Madi Springer-Miller, another American, won today's downhill event.—France-Presse.

Hongkong FA International Cup Teams For March 20

The following have been selected for the International Cup—1st round—on Wednesday, March 20 at Club ground, kick-off 6.15 p.m.—

PORTUGAL
Carneiro (St Joseph's)
G. Soares (St Joseph's)
A. Toledo (Eastern)
F. Cunha (St Joseph's)
L. Cunha (St Joseph's)
A. Santos (Prisons)
R. Chaves (St Joseph's)
J. Rocha (St Joseph's)
G. Souza (Sing Tao)
L. Madiera (St Joseph's)
M. Alberto (St Joseph's)
Reserves: A. Cotrim (St Joseph's), A.A. des Remedios (Jardine), G. Rosario (Mercantile Bank), J.J. Collaco Jr (St Joseph's), M. Silva (St Joseph's).

ENGLAND
Swinburn (Army)
Hogan (Army)
Oram (RAF)
Jakes (RAF)
Jones (Army)
Fowler (Army)
Bretnell (RAF)
Moss (Police)
Gardner (Club)
Owen (Army)
Griffiths (Army)
Reserves: Wood (RAF), Leonard (RAF), Sheppard (RAF), Bradley (Army), Armstrong (Club), Pederson (Army).

SCOTLAND/IRELAND COMBINED
Allan (Army)
Martin (RAF) Capt.
Lamb (Army)
Sinclair (RAF)
Hunter (Police)
Elgie (Army)
Baird (Army)
Higgins (Army)
O'Kelly (Club)
Martin (Army)
Hamilton (RAF)
Reserves: Wright (Club), Eyre (Navy), Frank (Army), Pratt (RAF), Verrecchia (RAF), Wynne (RAF), O'Grady (Army), Grant (Army).

CHINA
Tam Nai Huen (Kitchee)
Lau Chi Ping (South China)
Szeto Yiu (Kitchee) Capt.
Tang Sum (KMB)
Lau Tim (KMB)
Chan Chi Kong (South China)
Yeung Wai To (Kitchee)
Ho Cheung Yau (South China)
Chow Shiu Hung (KMB)
Lo Kwok Tai (Eastern)
Mok Chun Wah (South China)
Reserves: Lau Kin Chung (South China), Kwok Kam Hung (South China), Luk Tat Hay (South China), Kung Wah Kit (Eastern), Szeto Man (Kitchee), Lau Chi Lam (KMB), Kwok Yau (Kitchee).

Hon. Secretaries of Clubs concerned are requested to notify the Secretary in writing at least 48 hours before the match is played whether their players selected are available or not.

If notices are not received and their players turn up on the day of the match but are found to be unfit to play for any reason at all, clubs concerned are responsible for the payment of travelling expenses to their players.

Players and reserves are requested to report to their respective team manager in the dressing room not later than 5.30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 20, 1957. They are to bring their own boots, pads, knee-caps, ankle-guards etc.

Jerseys, shorts and stockings only will be supplied.

THE GAMBOLS . . . by Barry Appleby





SOCCER

Hongkong Police Inter-Divisional League Fixtures

The following are the Hongkong Police Inter-Divisional Soccer League fixtures to be played at Boundary Street:—

MARCH 19

Marine Division v Police Training School, 3 p.m., 'A' Pitch.

Shamshuipo Division v Western Division, 4.15 p.m., 'A' Pitch.

Kowloon City Division v Central Division, 3 p.m., 'B' Pitch.

New Territories v Eastern, Division, 4.15 p.m., 'B' Pitch.

MARCH 21

Police Training School Divn. v Western Division, 3 p.m., 'A' Pitch.

Marine Division v Central Division, 4.15 p.m., 'A' Pitch.

Shamshuipo Division v Eastern Division, 3 p.m., 'B' Pitch.

Kowloon City Division v Shaukiwan Division, 4.15 p.m., 'B' Pitch.

MARCH 26

Western Division v Central Division, 3 p.m., 'A' Pitch.

Police Training School Divn. v Eastern Division, 4.15 p.m., 'A' Pitch.

Marine Division v Shaukiwan Division, 3 p.m., 'B' Pitch.

Shamshuipo Division v Hongkong Island Division, 4.15 p.m., 'B' Pitch.

MARCH 28

Marine Division v Kowloon City Division, 3 p.m., 'A' Pitch.

Police Training School Divn v Shumshuipo Division, 4.15 p.m., 'A' Pitch.

Hongkong Island Division v Yaumati Division, 4.15 p.m., 'B' Pitch.

APRIL 2

Central Division v Shumshuipo Division, 3 p.m., 'A' Pitch.

Yaumati Division v New Territories Division, 4.15 p.m., 'B' Pitch.

APRIL 4

New Territories Division v Kowloon City Division, 3 p.m., 'A' Pitch.

Yaumati Division v Police Training School Division, 4.15 p.m., 'A' Pitch.

Shumshuipo Division v Marine Division, 3 p.m., 'B' Pitch.

APRIL 9

Yaumati Division v Shaukiwan Division, 3 p.m., 'A' Pitch.

New Territories Division v Hongkong Island Division, 3 p.m., 'B' Pitch.

APRIL 11

Kowloon City Division v Yaumati Division, 3 p.m., 'A' Pitch.

HOW THEY STAND

	P.	W.	D	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
New Territories	6	5	0	1	19	10	10
Marine ..	3	3	0	0	16	2	6
Yaumati .	4	3	0	1	12	4	6
Kowloon City ...	4	2	1	1	10	4	5
Shumshuipo	4	2	0	2	9	10	4
PTS	1	0	1	0	2	2	1
Eastern ..	1	0	1	0	1	1	1
Central ..	2	0	0	2	2	4	0
Shaukiwan ...	2	0	0	2	2	9	0
Police HQ	2	0	0	2	0	13	0
Western .	3	0	0	3	1	15	0

POLICE INTERPORT

The Interport match between Macao and Hongkong Police will be held in Macao on Sunday March 31.

In addition to this match the Colony Police Old Crocks team will accompany the team to play Macao.

Team Officials:—Mr M. B. Dewar, Mr J. Hayward, S. I. Chan Fook-cheung & S. I. Collaco.

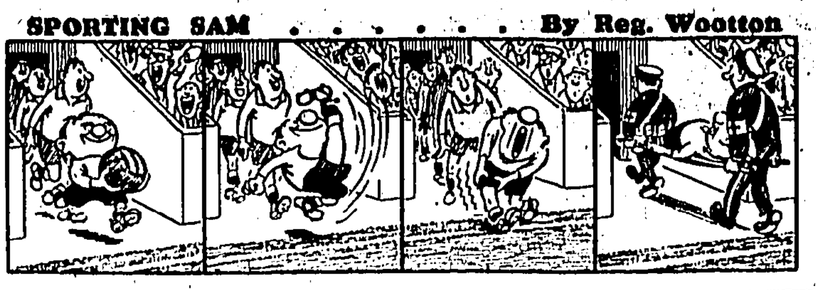
Team Members:—Kwok Mansum, Ngan Chun-shing, Chan Ping-wing, D. E. Hughe, J. Hunter, Wakefield, Wan Siu-choi, Au Chi-yin, E. R. Moss, Mak Wing-hung, Cheng Kwok-kong.

Reserves: — Ng Chak-lau, Cheng wing-kan, Wong Yin-tak.

Charles Again

John Charles literally won promotion for Leeds United last season by topping the Second Division list of goalscorers. In this, his first, season in the First Division, with 25 goals he is only one goal behind leader Jackie Mudie of Blackpool. If Charles finishes top it would be the first time a player has headed the First and Second Divisions in successive seasons.

SPORTING SAM By Reg. Wootton



Sports Diary

TODAY

Tennis
Colony Lawn Tennis Championship: Doubles Final replay at HKCC, 4.30 p.m.

Badminton
Colony Senior Badminton Championships at J.R.C. 7.30 p.m.

Basketball
South East Asia Basketball Tournament at SCAA, 8 p.m.

Meeting
HK Lawn Bowls Association Annual Meeting, at S.C.M.P. Ltd. Board Room, 5.45 p.m.

TOMORROW

Badminton
Colony Senior Badminton Championships at J.R.C., 7.15 p.m.

Racing
Entries For Tenth Race Meeting close at noon.

Macao Students Prepare For Hockey Match

Macao, Mar. 18.

Local schoolboys are training hard for the coming Junior Hockey Interport, scheduled for April 14.

The interport will be against Hongkong. Since the beginning of the series two years ago, each Colony side has won once. —France-Presse.

Key Royal Is Still A Good Proposition

By RICHARD BAERLEIN

At Sandown recently the Grand National candidate Sundew gave a magnificent display of jumping and it was sheer delight to watch the way he measured and cleared his fences. He did not, however, enhance his Grand National reputation as far as I am concerned.

Some stayers win the Grand National because they take nothing out of themselves when they jump. This applied particularly to Royal Mail and Kellsboro Jack.

But Sundew is not one of them. He jumps away in the lead in great style but then he tires and collapses, and he does not really stay much beyond three and a half miles.

Thus for no apparent reason, other than the one I have just given, he has failed in the last two "Nationals," and I see no reason why he should succeed on this occasion, though he will harden in the market as the result of the other Saturday's performance.

LOT OF GOOD

Glorious Twelfth, whom he beat by two lengths, probably put up a very much better performance than appears on paper. It was his first race since his recent bout of coughing, and it is very doubtful if he was at his best.

The race will have done him a lot of good, and brightened his National prospects in my opinion.

In the Grand Sefton Handicap 'Chase at Liverpool last November, Key Royal beat Glorious Twelfth by four lengths, giving 3lb. On Saturday Key Royal was giving 4lb.—yet was never a danger—and he appeared altogether too slow. Since the Liverpool meeting, however, Key Royal has beaten Devon Loch and several other useful chasers, including Sundew at Kempton.

NOT SUITED

Key Royal has run a bad race at Sandown before, and I think this great big horse is not suited by the Sandown fences on the far side of the course which follow one another in quick succession.

He is certainly not as slow as he appeared the other week, and those who fancy him for the Grand National would be well advised not to pay too much attention to his performance. He has already proved on two occasions that the Aintree fences hold no terrors for him.

It has often proved in the past exceedingly dangerous to form a Grand National opinion about a horse on what one has seen at a Park course and most "National" winners are beaten prior to running at Aintree. Thus, from Saturday's race, I still prefer Glorious Twelfth and Key Royal to Sundew as "National" propositions.

In fact, nothing has occurred in the past month to alter my short list for the Grand National, which still remains: Key Royal, Glorious Twelfth Ark Royal and Much Obliged.

—*(London Express Service).*

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Three In A Row Win By Army Runner In Cross-Country Race

By ARCHIE QUICK

For the first time for 21 years the Army Cross-Country Individual Championship has been won three years in succession by the same runner. He is Corporal Basil Heatley, of the Royal Army Veterinary Corps, stationed at Melton Mowbray, and he completed his "hat trick" of titles over a six miles grass course at Tweseldown Racecourse, Aldershot, in 33 minutes 53 seconds.

Heatley, a civilian member of the Coventry Godiva club, won in 1955 as a private, in 1956 as a lance-corporal and this third time as a full corporal. A three years National Service signing, he is shortly due for demobilisation. 23 years old, he was the only International in the "field," having represented England against France and Spain.

Thus he became the third man to achieve a "hat trick" of Army titles, although he does not equal the deeds of Sergeants W. M. Cotterell, and R. R. Sutherland, who, between them, monopolised the Championship for 15 years—with two exceptions. But those were the days of Regular soldiers, with no interference from National Service stars. Even the great Ken Norris only won twice, in 1953 and 1954, but that was because he was in khaki only two years!

Cotterell, of the Signals, won in 1922-23-24-25-26-29; Sutherland, of the Physical Training Corps in 1927-28-31-33-34-35-36. These two great runners also "farmed" the Inter-Services title, Cotterell taking it from 1923 to 1927 and 1929; Sutherland from 1931 to 1934 with Corporal Sam Ferris rudely "intruding" in 1928 and Sergeant Reggie Thomas taking over from 1935. All four were Internationals.

Runner-up to Heatley, who competed as an individual, was Gunner H. R. Fowler, of the 67 Regt. RA team, but he finished over a minute behind the winner. The team championship went to Royal Army Pay Corps Depot (Devizes), with 151 points, with two BAOR teams — Royal Devons from Cellar and Royal Irish Fusiliers from Wuppertal—second and third with 191 and 258 points respectively. The holders, 55 Training Regt. RA, finished eighth of twelve. There were 135 runners—twelve teams and 15 individual entries.

The Chief of the Imperial General Staff (Field Marshal Sir Gerald Templer, G.C.B., G.C.M.G., K.B.E., D.S.O.) acted as starter, presented the trophies and medals and showed enthusiastic interest throughout the race. Also present was General Sir Dudley Ward, K.B.E., C.B., D.S.O. (President of the Army Athletic Association). Both were prominent runners in their day.

On a day borrowed from spring, the race was run in first-class sunny conditions, made all the more enjoyable by a running commentary provided by the Royal Signals stationed at various points of vantage on the course and the hill which commanded such a fine general view. Here is an idea for the AAA to copy for its Cross-Country Championships.

SUPER-BONUS

If Manchester United beat Real Madrid and reach the European Cup Final, each of their players will be entitled to £3 bonus; nothing at all if they lose and thirty shillings for a draw. Each match that is. The Spanish players have been guaranteed £200 each. Last season in winning the trophy they each drew £700 bonus. Madrid, of course, have yet to beat Nice in the semi-final, but they have a 3-0 advantage on the first "leg" and seem certainties.

NAMESAKES



INSTRUCTIONS: Fill in the spaces against each of the clues below with a word related to my life. The letters in circles spell out my name. Who am I?

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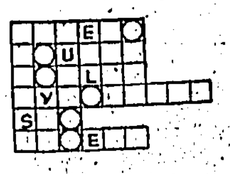
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3 Sun god

4 Fable

5 Phoebus

6 South Europeans



Solution on Page 9

BE SPECIFIC fly CATHAY PACIFIC



FOUR ENGINE RELIABILITY

Nominate YOUR

Hongkong Footballer Of The Year

Members of the public are invited to nominate Hongkong's Footballer of the Year for the current season.

It is a popularity poll organised by the China Mail, and nomination coupons will be accepted until the closing date to be announced later.

The two qualifications for nomination are:

(1) Footballing prowess

(2) Sportsmanship on the field of play

Nominations should be addressed to the Editor, China Mail, Wyndham Street.

To the Editor, China Mail,

My nomination for Hongkong's Footballer of the Year, taking into regard his playing ability and his sportsmanship on the field of play is

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of the Club.

(Signed)

AROUND HOLLYWOOD

ACTOR PICKS UP NEW NAME IN MOTION PICTURE BUSINESS

By RON BURTON

Richard Boone, known to millions of TV fans as a kindly efficient doctor, says he has picked up a new name in the motion picture business—"Bad Boy Bonne." Furthermore, he says, he has earned the title.

Boone said that he has plenty of convictions and is willing to fight (or argue vigorously) for them. Some of them came to the fore when he reviewed his part in "Lizzie," a Bryna production for MGM release in which he makes his romantic debut.

"An actor has to fight," he said. "That's the way to get good pictures made. You can't just have a bland attitude about this business and assume everything's going along fine. You've got producers who try to tell writers how to write. Then there are producers who tell directors how to direct. And, of course, producers who tell actors how to act.

"This is all because they know how to run the front office and handle the money."

NOT FOR BOOKKEEPERS

Boone doesn't think he's always right, but he feels a little discussion—some of it on the lively side—is good for things in general and motion pictures in particular. Especially when producers who tell actors and directors how to act and direct, respectively.

"I suppose that maybe I'm wrong as often as I'm right about some things," he said, "but good, plain arguing can be beneficial. Idea exchange and that sort of thing.

"I lost a contract at 20th Century-Fox for arguing and got booted out of my first six stage jobs for shooting my mouth off, but I've learned a lot from it. If I see something right now in the script of 'Lizzie' that I think will improve it, I'll argue for it. I have plenty of respect for a producer who has been a writer, an actor or a director, but none for the bookkeepers."

Boone was advised by friends after a recent, particularly animated argument, to save his money because he apparently was alienating employers.

"I had to disagree," he said. "I've gotten some of my best roles from producers with whom I've argued."

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Not everyone looks at motion pictures the same way, according to Sam Spiegel, and the producer says he's referring to more than just optical circumstances.

"To one person, a film is a gamble," he said. "To another, it's a calculated risk. And to a third it might be considered an investment. It's all in how you look at it."

To Spiegel a motion picture is not a gamble at all if you're careful and analyse all its aspects before deciding to go ahead with it. Some of his calculated risks include "The African Queen" and "On the Waterfront." His latest is midway between a calculated risk and an outright investment, he thinks.

"Nothing's a sure thing in this business," he said. "However, in our latest—'End as a Man'—we think we've got a good picture. The risk element—and I'm not sure that's the right term—lies in the cast. We do have a flock of newcomers, but I feel confident that they're going to get across to the public in this picture for Columbia."

Newcomers have a way of bringing something that can best be called "an exciting quality," according to Spiegel. This may sound corny, he feels, but there is a different quality the younger actors bring to the screen.

WILLINGHAM'S FIRST

"End as a Man" features Ben Gazzara and Julie Wilson and introduces six other featured players. Those making their film debuts are Pat Hingle, Arthur Storch, Paul E. Richards, Geoffrey Horne, George Peppard and Clifton James.

Two other actors — James Olson and Mark Richman — have been in one film previously, while the only veteran performer in the cast is Larry Gates, who has six film credits.

"There's something else you should know about this venture," Spiegel said. "The screenplay is written by Calder Willingham and is his first script for a motion picture. It's based on his own first novel which he turned into his first stage play."

Spiegel is confident, but he doesn't think there's any point in dropping terms like "gamble" and "calculated risk."

"For the record," he said with a smile, "I guess that I should mention that some of my calculated risks haven't been as well calculated."—United Press.

STILL SCORING

When Bryan Braithwaite scored 106 goals for Kirkby Stephen FC in the Second Division of the Westmorland League last season and materially helped his side to promotion it was said he would not be so successful in the First Division. He has silenced his critics by scoring 60 goals to date in his first senior season. In each of his last two games he has netted eight times.

Junior Successes

Southampton, running for promotion, also have interests in three Cup competitions. Southampton Schools are at home in the semi-final of the English Schools Trophy to Walthamstow; Southampton Youths are in the quarter finals of the English Youth Cup and Hampshire Youths are in the semi-final of the English County Youth Cup—all home matches, too.

Auxiliary Fire Service Orders

No. 7. Orders by Mr Alistair Drummond, Superintendent, Auxiliary Fire Service, of March 16, 1957:

Enrolment: Recruit (HK) Lee Kwok-tung & Kan Tak-kam w.e.f. 8.3.57.

Promotions: Stn. Offr. (HK) Ho Shiu-ming to the rank of Divisional Officer H.K. Division w.e.f. 13.3.57; Sub-Offr. (HK) Tung Wing-tat, Tseng Tse-hu & Chan Wing-chung to the rank of Station Officer, H.K. Division w.e.f. 8.3.57; Sub-Offr. (K) Chan Sun-wah & Tang Tak-lim to the rank of Station Officer, Kowloon Division w.e.f. 8.3.57; Ag. L. O. (K) M. F. Williams to the rank of Liaison Officer, Kowloon Division w.e.f. 8.3.57; W.K. (K) C. R. Ho to the rank of Sub-Offr./Watchkeeper, Kowloon Division w.e.f. 8.3.57; Fm. Nos. 509 Wai Ching & 641 Law Tak-hing to the rank of Sub-Officer, Hongkong Division w.e.f. 8.3.57; Fm. Nos. 716 Loong Kong-on & 717 Loong Kong-lok to the rank of Sub - Officer, Kowloon Division w.e.f. 8.3.57.

Posting & Appointment: D.O. (HK) Ho Shiu-ming to be O.I.C. of District HK-1 w.e.f. 13.3.57; Stn. Offr. (HK) Yung Wing-tat to be O.I.C. of Platoon No. HK-24 (B) of District HK-4 vice Stn. Offr. Ho Shiu-lun w.e.f. 14.3.57; Stn. Offr. (HK) Tseng Tse-hu attached to District HK-3 w.e.f. 20.3.57; Stn. Offr. (HK) Chan Wing-chung to be O.I.C. of Platoon No. HK-12 (B) of District HK-2 vice Stn. Offr. Ho Tai-tsang w.e.f. 19.3.57; Stn. Offr. (K) Chan Sun-wah to be O.I.C. of Platoon No. K-14 (A) of District K-3 vice Stn. Offr. W. A. J. Bayne w.e.f. 15.3.57; Stn. Offr. (K) Tang Tak-lim to be O.I.C. of Platoon No. K-6 (A) of District K-1 vice Stn. Offr. Harold C. Yee w.e.f. 20.3.57; L.O. (K) M. F. Williams to be Asst. O.I.C. of Kowloon Control Centre w.e.f. 19.3.57; S.O./WK (K) C. R. Ho to Kowloon Control Centre w.e.f. 19.3.57; S.O. (HK) Wai Shing to S.O. i/c of Platoon No. HK-13 (B) of District HK-2 w.e.f. 19.3.57; S.O. (HK) Law Tak-hing to S.O. i/c of Platoon No. HK-24 (A) of District HK-4 w.e.f. 14.3.57; S.O. (K) Loong Kong-on to be S.O. i/c of Platoon No. K-21 (A) of District K-3 w.e.f. 18.3.57; S.O. (K) Loong Kong-lok to be S.O. i/c of Platoon No. K-21 (B) of District K-3 w.e.f. 18.3.57.

Transfer: Stn. Offr. (HK) L. M. Sousae from District HK-3 to Platoon No. HK-4 (A) of District HK-1 vice Stn. Offr. C. E. Abbas w.e.f. 18.3.57.

(Sgd.) PETER CREMER,
Deputy Supt., A.F.S.

Civil Aid Services

No. 7. Orders by the Hon. C. E. Terry, OBE, Commissioner, Civil Aid Services, of March 15, 157.

1. **Field Day—Results of Competition.**—Despatch Service—Trophy—The L. P. Kwok Challenge Cup, Winning Team, Area 2; The Allen C. C. Ng Cup, Winning Team, Area 4; The Shum Wai-yau Challenge Shield, Winning Team, Area 3.

2. **Identity Cards.**—All enrolled personnel are given a C.A.S. Identity Card which they must carry at all times while engaged in training or operations, and which must be presented on demand to authorised persons. These cards must be carefully guarded, and their loss must be reported at once by the members themselves to the nearest Police Station and by the Zone Warden or Unit Controller to the Chief Staff Officer.

The use of a C.A.S. Identity Card by anyone other than the person to whom it is issued, or for any purpose not authorised by the Commissioner, Civil Aid Services, is strictly forbidden and will be dealt with most severely.

Zone Wardens and Controllers shall ensure that this notice is brought to the attention of all members.

3. **Changes of Personal Particulars.**—It is in the interest of every member that Headquarters maintain an up-to-date record of each member and his immediate family.

All members must notify this Headquarters, through their Unit Controller or Zone Warden, whenever changes occur in any of the following particulars:—

(a) Marital status; (b) Births within the member's immediate family (c) Deaths within the member's immediate family; (d) Next of kin; (e) Address of next of kin; (f) Private address and telephone number; (g) Business address and telephone number; (h) Number of declared dependants.

D. R. W. ALEXANDER,
Chief Staff Officer,
Civil Aid Services.

THANK YOU, MR. LOBO—Harry Odell

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SCIENCE & ENGINEERING

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Pirelli-General Cables For New Ring Main And Feeders

AN interesting cable installation for the Admiralty is at present being carried out on the Isle of Portland by Pirelli-General Cable Works Ltd.

The scheme for the reorganisation of the electricity supply system at Portland Dockyard to meet the requirements of the future was first planned in 1954 and called for a supplementary supply to be taken from the Area Electricity Board. The new high-tension network within the Base comprises an 11kV ring connecting nine new substations, one section of the ring being taken subterraneously across the Basin.

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In conjunction with the 11kV ring a 54-pair dry-core pilot and telephone cable has been laid. From each of the substations a comprehensive medium-voltage cable system radiates to the various buildings in the Yard.

One of the most interesting operations in the course of this contract was the submarine crossing, connecting the Mere and Root substations, a distance of 1,100 yards. Naval craft, loaned by the Admiralty, were manned by civilian personnel from the Boom Defence Depot at Gosport and the Dockyard, under the supervision of the Contractor's Engineer.

In order to reach the loading berth, a heavy drum of cable, weighing over 20 tons, had to be unloaded from the road haulage vehicle at a bridge in the Yard where there was insufficient head room. The cable was then hauled by winch underneath the bridge and reloaded on the other side for transport to the crane berth, some distance away.

Prior to this the Naval craft had been fitted out with a special ramp apron for the cable laying operations.

The submarine power cable was laid first and whilst this operation was proceeding, marker buoys were attached to it to enable the pilot and telephone cable to be laid adjacent on the following day.

Most of the excavations for cable trenches were unusual, and in some cases—due to the local topography of the Dockyard, portions of which have virtually been reclaimed from the sea with quarry overburden—the man-handling of solid blocks of stone weighing up to two tons was frequently necessary, as blasting in this area is prohibited.

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Owing to the very restricted access on one portion of the route it became necessary for drum lengths of 300 yards to be over-pulled for 600 yards along a railway embankment. When it is considered that the weight of this cable is approximately seven tons, it will be appreciated that the manual effort involved was considerable.

Another interesting section of the installation called for the laying of 100 yards of non-draining cable on a section of the rock face having an incline of one in four.



A view of the submarine cable-laying operations at Portland.

Oil And Water Separator For Air Lines

A SEPARATOR has been produced by a Walsall firm which is remarkably efficient in that it completely removes oil from air lines at temperatures up to 300°F, and water from lines where condensation has taken place.

Oil normally exists in compressed air in the form of very fine particles, and the result is an aerosol (a liquid in stable suspension in air) with which normal filters and separators are quite unable to deal.

The new separator consists of banks of long fibre felt pads, which have been specially produced for this duty. These pads become wetted by the passage of contaminated air, and cause the very fine particles of oil and water to coagulate, which increases the particle size, so that the oil and water are easily separated from the air stream.

The filter is self-cleaning and discharges collected oil and water through an automatic valve, so that it will operate for long periods without any attention, and without the filtering medium becoming saturated.

It is available for wall mounting in 2 sizes: (1) The E. 200 with a capacity of 20 cfm at 100 psi. (2) The E. 250 with a capacity of 65 cfm at 100 psi. (Firm: Alfred Bullows and Sons Ltd, Long Street, Walsall, England).

Mechanical Coin Counter

A machine which counts coins of any shape or size at 2,000 a minute, three or four times the present speed will be on show at Britain's biggest ever Business Efficiency Exhibition, at Olympia, London, next June.

Made by an Enfield (Middlesex) firm, the machine will be a big time and labour saver for banks, big stores, seaside piers, transport companies, and other concerns handling great numbers of coins. A London-made machine which counts bank notes at 50,000 an hour — nearly a thousand a minute—will also be at the Exhibition.

POWERFUL DRUG FROM THE PIG'S GLAND

A tiny pea-like gland from the pig holds the secret of considerable relief for rheumatoid arthritis sufferers.

Until its curative properties were discovered, this pituitary gland was just part of the worthless offal discarded by the slaughterhouses. Now; as the source of the powerful and long - acting drug ACTH (adreno - cortico - trophic hormone), each gland is worth 6d. About 300 are needed to produce a gramme of ACTH.

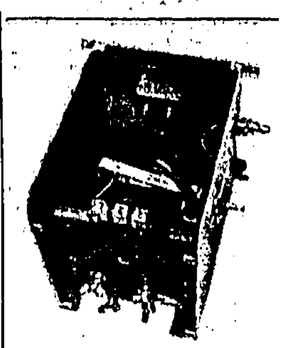
A Scottish laboratory is now manufacturing sufficient ACTH to meet the demands of all the sterling countries. Recent improvements in production have made the drug more powerful, with effects lasting three and four times as long as the original injections.

ACTH is only one of about 30 hormones produced by this laboratory on one of the new industrial estates on the outskirts of Glasgow. Each have their special applications, but their rejuvenating powers are invaluable for treating a wide variety of complaints.

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Many of the hormones are now being made synthetically, such as cortisone. ACTH and several others have still not yielded to the scientists the secret of their molecular make-up and have to be extracted from parts of animals and other natural sources. For those produced artificially the basic chemical is cholesterol—obtained from woollen waste in the Yorkshire mills. Through miles of piping and surrealistic-looking plant the chemicals emerge as specialised hormones.

All the hormones must be packed under the most hygienic conditions, ensuring absolute sterility. The girl packers, gowned and masked like nurses in an operating theatre, manipulate the machines which load the tiny phials and bottles for distribution in Britain, overseas to the Commonwealth countries, and Latin American countries.



Metrovick high frequency injector for arc welding (with sheet metal cover removed).

Metrovick HF Injector For Welding

When welding by processes using an electric arc it is sometimes desirable to start the arc without allowing the electrode to touch the workpiece.

It is also found that some combinations of electrodes, shielding atmosphere and composition of parent metal require an OC voltage higher than the safe limit, to maintain a stable arc.

The Metrovick HF Injector provides a solution to both these problems by superimposing a high voltage on the output of the welding transformer or generator at a frequency sufficiently high to remove danger of electric shock.

The equipment, contained in a welded steel box, consists of a high voltage transformer with a secondary voltage of 4,000V; a capacitor, a double spark gap with tungsten points and a water cooled, air cored transformer to inject the high frequency voltage into the welding circuit while isolating the power frequency high voltage from it.

The secondary winding of the air cored transformer carries the full welding current and is suitable for 400 amps continuous, or 450 amps on intermittent duty. The power consumption of the unit is 100 watts.

This unit can also be used in conjunction with a Metrovick flow control unit for inert-gas arc welding. In such cases a relay is fitted so that a single push button switch operates both units.

Muir-Hill Dumper

The introduction of a new machine of 1 cubic yard capacity is announced by E. Boydell and Company Ltd, Old Trafford, Manchester.

This machine, known as the 3-S Dumper is notable for its relatively high speed, up to 18 mph being available, whilst a low centre of gravity, good weight distribution and adequate ground clearance, provide an impressive performance on unmade ground.

A cross-braced chassis of 5 inches by 2½ inches channel bolted and welded is provided with a bumper of similar dimension.

Apart from the rigidity of the chassis in meeting the racking stresses of travel over rough ground, compensation for power surge and transmission shocks is provided by the resilient mountings of the engine and gear box assembly, whilst the body catch similarly is designed to remain safe with positive and light operation under all conditions.

Girdling brakes are fitted, acting on the driving wheels and can be operated by the hand lever, enabling the machine to be inched forward for accurate load placing.

Careful thought has been given to the question of maintenance and, apart from general accessibility, the machine is noteworthy in having oil-less bushes throughout, whilst the engine cover may quickly be removed as a unit.

The machine has a struck capacity of 10 cubic feet and a body lip height of 3 feet 4 inches (5 feet 6 inches at body sides).

Boat Construction

TIMBER REPLACES STEEL

Timber is being used instead of steel in three 100-foot class fishing boats under construction at Scottish yards for Aberdeen owners.

One recently launched at Anstruther is the largest vessel to have entered the water at the old-established yard of Messrs Alexander Aitken. The other two are being completed at Montrose and Sandhaven.

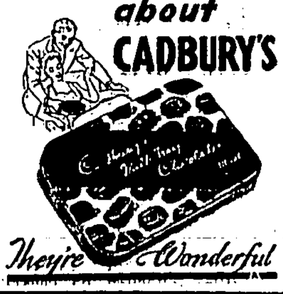
If the results are satisfactory, further similar orders are expected to come from Aberdeen owners who are faced with the urgent need to replace an ageing fleet.

The main advantages claimed for this type are the initial cost of about £40,000—compared with £70,000 for steel-constructed units—and the longer life; independence of steel deliveries, which today are irregular; and the "liner" construction which enables crews to line-fish for better qualities or adapt their craft for trawler work.

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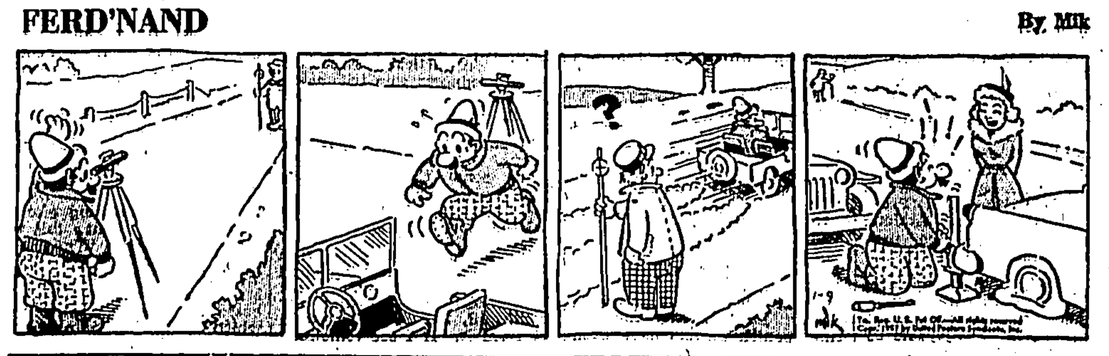


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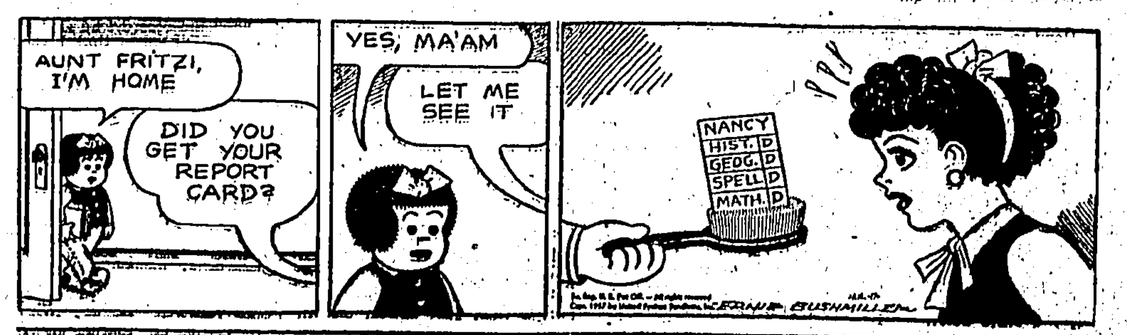
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TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

US Business On Downswing

PESSIMISTIC OUTLOOK FOR THIS YEAR

By JOHN MORKA

New York, Mar. 17.

American businessmen seemed less concerned about inflation last week but worried instead about a flattening-out in the boom. For almost 2½ years, the U.S. has enjoyed a steady upswing in business activity. But with the trend downward in recent weeks, and new weakness in the economy showing up almost weekly, many experts were becoming increasingly sceptical about the outlook for continued economic growth for the remainder of 1957.

Backgrounding this pessimistic outlook were the following developments:

1. Slackening in steel orders, mainly from the auto and appliance industries. Output last week—94.2 per cent of capacity—was at the lowest levels this year and steel producers are openly disappointed with April business. In some cases, shipments are outrunning new orders by as much as 10 per cent. Operations last week may be even lower.

2. Housing starts—which help take up much of any economic slack—appear to have fallen below the annual rate of 1,000,000 units for the first time in over five years.

3. A new pattern in inventories appears to be shaping up. The inventory buildup which was strong in 1956 is slowing down. The value of factory inventories during January was 100 million, compared with about 500 monthly this time in 1956. This may mean that producers might be figuring on lowering production ahead; also, that buyers are looking forward to some levelling in prices.

Expenditures

4. Revised estimates indicating that American business will spend less than anticipated for new plant construction and equipment this year. Capital expenditures for 1957, according to the latest compilation by the Department of Commerce and the Securities Exchange Commission, will be higher in 1957 by only 6½ per cent, and contrasts with the tremendous 22 per cent rise in 1956.

Although planned outlays are expected to hit new highs of 37.3 billion this year and are counted on to provide substantial support for the economy generally, they are not expected to provide enough momentum to spark a new business upsurge later this year. Since the first quarter of 1955, the rate of capital expenditures has risen in every quarter. The expected decline in the second half of this year will mark the first quarterly reversal since the boom began. More comforting however, are the forecasts for 1957 sales: Manufacturing, 8 per cent, above 1956; trade, 4 per cent; utilities 9 per cent.

Inflation

5. Continued uncertainties elsewhere, in the auto industries and consumer appliances. Textile prices continue to sag. Paperboard output is lower than last year. And market activity continues generally listless without incentives of new business news. Prices tended lower most of the week, although helped in part by prospects of an early reopening of the Suez Canal and the reluctance of President Eisenhower to take the initiative in cutting his record 71.8 budget as inflationary and as such, good for the financial community.

Although there was seemingly less talk about inflation the subject was not altogether forgotten. The Eisenhower budget, blamed by government officials and economists as too high and inflationary came under attack again last week.

The National Association of Manufacturers urged a cut of 8.2 billions, a slash of more than 10 per cent. Even W. Randolph Burgess, Under Secretary of the Treasury, insisted the country is spending more money than it should. He urged cuts "for the long term best interests of the country." They called for more "balance" in the economy, emphasising that the government was trying to do more than it has men and materials to accomplish. All this is resulting in higher prices, he said.

Meanwhile prices continue to edge upward and the end is nowhere in sight. "Will the cost of living ever come down?" Asked the U. S. News & World Report.

The U. S. dollar, it finds, is now worth "less in buying power than ever before, (and) is to lose still more value in the days ahead." In the last four years of the Eisenhower Administration, the dollar has lost 3.6 cents in purchasing power, three cents having occurred just in the past year.

Ernest G. Swigert, President of the N. A. M., listed three factors contributing to inflation: "Uncontrolled monopoly power of international unions; big government spending; and a tax system "designed to promote social reforms and to re-distribute wealth instead of simply to raise revenue.

"These forces and the inflation which stems from them add up to the ultimate destruction of individual liberty and the bankruptcy of the nation," he said.

The Federal Reserve Bank of New York in its annual report released last week finds that while its policy of monetary restraint has taken effect in some sectors of the economy, new pressures have cropped up elsewhere. Any retrenchment in plant expenditures and construction might be offset by government and state spending, so that inflation was still something to watch, it said.

Personal Savings

Some circles are beginning to wonder however, whether, in fact, the inflationary surge is about spent. Although price indexes continue to move higher, savings appear to be increasing and investment demand seems to be levelling off somewhat.

This coterie points to the growing trend toward saving more and spending less of current income. Government statistics show that in the final quarter of 1956 personal savings were 7.6 per cent of personal income, compared with 6.8 per cent a year earlier.

The Wall Street Journal finds also that bankers are once more talking about a possible interest rate cut as loan demand eases. Its canvass of financial and banking groups showed that mortgage money is becoming more plentiful, and that the cost of borrowing money "shows signs of levelling off."

Only a few weeks ago there was talk of still higher interest rates. Now, it notes, bankers "wonder how soon the rates will head downward. The "prime rate," the rate charged to the best credit risks, is at 4 per cent, highest in about 25 years.

"The bankers revised appraisal of the money outlook is based largely on one fact: Loan demand is easing," the financial daily finds.

"Business loans of the leading city banks which report weekly to the Federal Reserve in 1955 and 1956—since the first of the year have fallen by 831 million compared with a 297 million increase a year ago."

Other Outlets

Some New York banks, it finds, are even looking around for alternative outlets for their funds if business demand doesn't pick up.

So far, however, there is disposition on the part of the Federal Reserve to further loosen the credit controls. Developments over the next few weeks should give further clues to whether the controls will be eased or the screws turned even more than heretofore.

A lot will depend on how the auto industry fares in the next few weeks.—United Press.

NAMESAKES

Answers:—1 Legend, 2 Laurel, 3 Apollo, 4 Mythology, 5 Sun, 6 Greeks.

Daphne (Daphne Laureola, of Greek Mythology).

WORLD GRAIN SURPLUS

Rome, Mar. 17.

Twenty-four nation agreement on the establishment of a permanent body to study world grain surplus problems seemed certain tonight despite lukewarm American support for the project.

Creation of such a committee is the main issue before a special five-day conference of grain producing and consuming nations called here last week by the Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) on the request of its commodity problems committee.

Informed conference sources said tonight that after three days of discussions, delegates of the 24 nations attending the meeting seemed ready to agree to set up the permanent study group.

Most enthusiastic support for the project came from Australia, Canada, the United Kingdom and South Africa, a conference source said, with Japan and the United States voicing the most important reservations.

FAO GROUPS

But an American source said the United States was ready to go along with the body's creation if a majority of the nations meeting here want it.

Major American reservation, the source said, was the feeling that all surplus problems might be more profitably studied in FAO groups already in existance.

The Japanese delegation expressed concern at the additional man power, money and top-executive time the new committee might use. Major area of agreement yet to be resolved, conference sources said, was the definition of the scope of the new body's activity.

Informed sources estimated tonight that the committee would serve as a clearing house in which statistics on world grain production, consumption, and movement could be exchanged in an effort to co-ordinate national policies so that one nation's disposal activities will not jar the world market.—United Press.

Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local unofficial exchange market this morning at the following rates:—

U.S. dollar (per $1)	6.20
Sterling notes (per £1)	16.18
Australian notes (per £1)	12.70
Indonesian rupiah (per 100)	16.30
Siam tical (per 100)	28.75
Singapore (Straits)	1.90

New York Stock Market Review

By ELMER WALZER

New York, Mar. 17.

Stocks during the past week gained about a point in the Dow-Jones average and lost two cents a share in the Standard & Poors index of 500 stocks.

This is another way of saying the market performed more than the Dow-Jones averages which are made up of the cream of the market. The Standard & Poors figure is much broader and includes about 90 per cent of the value of all listed shares in its compilation.

The Dow-Jones averages showed a gain of 2.65 points in the industrials; 0.16 in the rails and 0.84 in the utilities. The 65 stocks rose 0.99. The utility rise featured and it left the average at a new high for 26 years, thanks to strength in one issue—Peoples Gas up 8½ points on the week.

STRONG SPOTS

There were several strong spots in the industrial leaders such as American Tobacco, Chrysler and United Aircraft—each up more than 2 points. These help offset a 3-point loss in International Nickel.

The real gainers were aside the average group, including Barber Oil up 7⅛, Freeport Sulphur up 7⅛ on a big nickel deal with the government.

American Motors ran second in volume to Shell Transport and trading. It got into action when it was learned the Louis E. Wolfson had increased his holdings in the company to 350,000 shares.

The market retreated on Monday and then turned up gradually when it appeared as if the budget cuts, if any, would be mere tokens. Congress threw the budget at President Eisenhower and he threw it right back with the statement deep cuts could only be made in big programmes backed by Congress.

The net result of the week's trading was small plurality of gains. Out of the 1,330 issues traded 660 advanced, 533 declined and 136 held unchanged. A total of 31 issues set new highs while 53 were down to new lows for 14 months.—United Press.

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to $404,000. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

Shares	Buyers	Sellers	Sales
BANKS			
HK Bank	1576	1595	
INSURANCES			
Lombard	37½	38	65 @ 37½ 200 @ 38
SHIPPING			
Wheelocks		6.85	300 @ 6.80
DOCKS, ETC.			
K. Wharf	101	104	
Dock	47	48	
Provident	13.10	13.40	
Shui Dock	1.30		
LAND, ETC.			
HK Hotel	14.20	14.60	
HK Land	36½	37	700 @ 37
Realty	1.35	1.40	
RUBBER			
Amalg.	1.42½	1.45	
Trust	1.00		80 @ 1.00
UTILITIES			
Tram XD	22	22.20	
Star Ferry	130		
Yaumati	103	107	100 @ 106
C. Light	23	23.30	900 @ 23.20
Electric	29.80	30¼	500 @ 30 100 @ 30¼ 513 @ 30 1000 @ 30
Macao E.			31 @ 9.80
Telephone	24½	24.60	1000 @ 24½ 1000 @ 24½ 500 @ 24½ 600 @ 24.60 1000 @ 24.60
INDUSTRIALS			
Cement	32½	34	3000 @ 33¾
Rope	12.80		
Amoy C.	32½		
STORES, ETC.			
Dairy	10.20	10.40	
Watson			
X.ALL	11.40	11½	3500 @ 11.40
Lane, Craw.	28.30	28½	
Emporium	6.90		
COTTONS			
Textile	4.70	4.77½	
Nanyang	8.15	8.30	
MISCELLANEOUS			
Vibro		17	
INVESTMENTS			
Yamatsze	5.85	6	
Allied		4.75	

US Cotton Goods Market Weekly

New York, Mar. 17.

The cotton goods trade for apparel and industrial fabrics continued at a slow pace last week.

Consumers followed the now months-old hand-to-mouth buying policy, taking on commitments for quick and nearby delivery, mostly for fill-in purposes, but paying little heed to future requirements.

Availability of goods on resales at concessions from the mill levels on some basic constructions increased the degree of buyer caution.

The bellwether 80-square four-yard print moved out of second hand on spot in fair amounts at 17⅞ cents a yard for top standard goods while mills were holding for 18⅜ to 18¼ cents a yard.

FABRIC WEAVERS

Apparel fabric weavers, looking ahead, counted on the market developing greater activity and more stability before long. Hopes for improvement were based on expectations for the usual pickup in consumer buying during the Easter and spring season, plus indications that the volume of resale offerings of grey goods may show a sharp falling off in the second quarter.

In cotton yarns, most users continued to cover against immediate needs, but brokers noted a slight improvement in forward commitments from several directions. Mercerised yarn prices stabilised with a steady flow of hand-to-mouth buying orders coming from weavers and knitters. Some coarse carded yarn users were believed ready to do some substantial covering for the second quarter to replenish depleted inventories.

In the synthetic market, nylon sheets and the 50 denier taffetas were still wanted for spot and nearby. Filament goods sold in fair quantity for the second quarter, while spun rayons were quiet.—United Press.

STRIKE MAKES PUBLIC WARY OF INVESTING

By C. T. HALLINAN

London, Mar. 17.

The week has been dominated by the approaching strike of 40 unions in the shipbuilding, engineering and electrical industries. Feeling seems to be that it is ominous, that it has the same quality as the situation which precipitated the general strike of 1926. There have been no negotiations between the two sides, the Federation of Shipbuilding Employers having flatly refused last autumn even to discuss an increase in basic wage rates.

This comes at a time when the industry is riding high. With orders amounting to some 5,300,000 gross tons compared with 4,100,000 gross tons in June, 1955.

Shipbuilding shares were moderately lower by one or two shillings but the exodus from all allied shares has lowered the Financial Times industrial index by 2.2 points to 164.5; some 10 days ago it was 190.0.

Typical of the break was the fall in Metropolitan-Vickers of 2/3, with others down 1/9 to 2/-.

Nuclear-powered shares, like Reynolds and Parsons, all lost about 2/-.

Shell Transport, whose shares are now actively traded in on the New York market, was in huge demand and soared 10/-, though Royal Dutch—which has been in the New York list for a long time—ended the week unchanged at £17⅛. On the other hand, British Petroleum lost 2/3, and Anglo-Egyptian "B" more than 6/-.

Suez Canal fell £2⅛ last week to £50¾, pretty close to its 12-months low.

Foreign Bonds

Foreign bonds again moved erratically when they moved at all. In the German section Potash 7 percents non-assented, gained £1 while the 6½ percents lost £1. In the Japanese list much the same condition prevailed. The 1907 non-assenteds gained £1½ while the 1930 non-assenteds lost £1½. The 1910's non-assenteds rose £1 but those of the 1899's and the Tokyo 5½ percents fell 10/-. Only substantial change in the assenteds was the fall of £1 in the 1930s. Chinese were not very active.

On the whole, dollar stocks were better but there was no movement strong enough to be called a trend. The premium which they enjoy rose from last week's 7¼ per cent to 8 per cent but tumbled thereafter to close at 7½ per cent. Fugitive money goes into Canadian stocks these days rather than into American ones.

British Governments were depressed nearly all week with losses ranging from ¼ sterling—Old Consols and War Loan—down to 1/16 sterling.

Chief event was probably the only practically successful offering of 40 million £1 shares of the Steel Company of Wales; the Underwriters had to take all but 10 million of the shares for the investing public, fearful of labour coming into power one of these days, shied away.

This flop did not increase the Conservative Government's prestige.—United Press.

Recurrent Boom And Bust

New York, Mar. 7.

The head of the nation's Federal Reserve System, Mr Martin, said the great challenge of modern times is finding a way to prevent the recurrent of the boom and bust cycle that "could destroy us."

"Over the last hundred years American economy has experienced some 24 full turns of the business cycle, an average of one complete rise-and-fall each four years," Mr Martin said.

"Generally, the immediate impetus to expansion of the government's role in economic affairs has come from one of these periodic disasters."

Mr Martin warned that elimination of certain factors of instability through creation of the Federal Reserve System did not prevent "drastic depressions."

"The overall problems stability also involves fiscal, budgetary, and dept management policies as well as prudent decisions on the part of the business and financial community," he said.

"In the sphere of business and economics, the great challenge of our times is to prevent the recurrence of the boom and crash sequence that has imperiled us in the past, and could destroy us in the future."—United Press.

US Cotton Moves Irregularly As Season Ends

By WILLIAM T. PLUNKETT

New York, Mar. 17.

Cotton futures moved irregularly last week in fitfully active dealings, with the dividing line widening between the old and new crop deliveries.

At Friday's close the list ruled 19 points lower to 20 points higher or off 95 cents to up $1 a bale, compared with the preceding week.

Buoyancy in new crop deliveries was attributed to reports that signups under the soil bank programme has shown a substantial increase over the 2,200,000 acres reported up to March 1.

Buyers also drew encouragement from rumours the government may revise the final loan level in July to around the 32.74 cent average rate on the current crop for middling inch cotton.

Liquidation

Earlier in the week, traders were preoccupied with final liquidation in the March delivery before its expiration on Wednesday. The steady build-up in the certificated stock brought liquidation in anticipation of increased tenders either against March or probably the succeeding May deliveries.

The final sale in March was posted at 34.78 cents a pound, or 70 points—$3.50 a bale—below the season's high of 35.43 cents registered on Feb. 13.

The certificated stock rose to 10,248 bales, representing an increase of 7,396 bales over the past week.

In evaluating the amount of land signed up for the soil bank, crop experts reminded that consideration should be given to the fact that figures probably include most of the 750,000 to 1,000,000 acres growers usually underplant their allotments.

Some quarters estimated approximately 15 million acres of the most fertile land may be planted to cotton this spring. The same sources expected producers to use liberal amounts of fertilizer with the object of obtaining high yield per acre again this year.

Raw cotton exports continued to gain momentum. Clearances to March 13 reached 5,074,172 bales compared with 967,470 bales to the same time last season. There is little doubt, statisticians felt, that the estimated season total of 6.5 million bales will be reached, compared with only 2.3 million bales last season.—United Press.

Canadians To Have Trade Talks With Australians

Ottawa, Mar. 17.

Talks will be held with the government of Australia to discuss the impact on Canadian exporters of a recently-signed trade pact between Britain and Australia, the Finance Minister, Mr Walter Harris, said Wednesday night in his budget speech.

"Further, the government has been receiving many representations about Australian trade," he said. "Some of these come from Canadian exporters and relate to Australian import restrictions.

"Others come from Canadian producers, particularly of dairy products and relate to special preferential rates of duty.

"The present treaty arrangements between our two countries are 25 years old, it would be our hope to achieve a highr level of trade on a broad and equitable basis."

Dairy Produce

The talks with Australia will cover the entire trade field, Mr Harris said. He gave no indication when or where they will be held, saying that Canada has "notified the government of Australia that we wish to have some trade discussions with them."

Canadian farmers in recent months have expressed concern over the possible importation of dairy products from Australia. Past experience has been that such products seem more cheaply on the Canadian market than their domestic counterparts.

The Minister's brief statement on the pending trade talks came in a part of his speech dealing with the customs tariff. He noted that there are no "extensive new rounds of multilateral tariff reductions in sight."

But some sort of "tariff readjustments," he said, could stem from reports of the Canadian tariff board still being prepared.

Canadian steel manufacturers, in the plate, tube, pipe and specialties field, have long protested that the tariff against British imports should be boosted. Canadian rubber footwear makers have complained about the duty of the product from British and Hongkong sources.

The Minister took note of the customs union being planned by six European nations.

"Canadian trade will undoubtedly be affected by these developments," he said, "it is too early to forecast what the effects may be."—United Press.

The Bank Of France Statement

Paris, Mar 17.

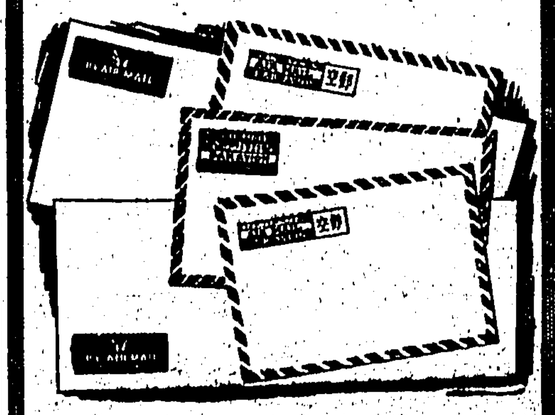
The Bank of France statement for the week ended March 7, reads as follows:

	Francs
Total gold holdings	591,504,322,850
Total other currencies	14,350,108,850
Slight balance abroad in EPU	23,071,000,000
Advance to Stabilisation Fund	23,200,000,000
Total bills discounted	1,097,558,256,650
Bank notes in circulation	2,508,518,940,975
Current accounts and deposits	155,761,251,675

—United Press.

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Laos, 6 p.m.
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Philippines, France, 3 p.m.
Canada, 4 p.m.
Macao, 6 p.m.

TUESDAY, MARCH 19
By Air
Peking, Shanghai, Kunming, Hankow, Hoihow, 7 a.m.
Thailand, Cambodia, 8 a.m.
Indo-China, France, Noon.
Australia, New Zealand, 1 p.m.
Philippines, 1 p.m.
Guam, Hawaii, U.S.A., 1 p.m.
Malaya, Indonesia, 2 p.m.
Formosa, 6 p.m.
Thailand, Burma, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain & Europe, 6 p.m.
Canada, 6 p.m.
Philippines, N. Borneo, 6 p.m.
Japan, 6 p.m.
Hawaii, U.S.A., 6 p.m.
By Surface
China, People's Republic, 7 a.m.
Macao, 1 p.m.
Japan, Hawaii, U.S.A., C. & S. America, 4 p.m.
Philippines, Australia, New Zealand, 5 p.m.
Macao, 6 p.m.

Deliberations Postponed

(Continued from Page 1)

The American Ambassador, Mr Edward B. Lawson, drove here from Tel-Aviv today for an urgent meeting with the Prime Minister, Mr David Ben Gurion. The meeting, at Mr Lawson's request, lasted only fifteen minutes, and was held during a short break in the Cabinet meeting.

An official communique issued after the Cabinet meeting said: "The Prime Minister today reported at the Cabinet's weekly meeting on the latest developments in the Gaza strip and their significance. He also reported on the Foreign Minister's trip (to the United States) in this connection."

Rumours here of the recall of some reserve units to the army were unconfirmed tonight, but tension throughout the country was mounting as reports of an Egyptian return to Gaza continued to flow in.—Reuter.

The Philippines

Air Tragedy

UNOFFICIAL LIST OF PASSENGERS

Manila, Mar. 18.

An unofficial list of the passengers and crewmen aboard the ill-fated C-47 transport plane which carried President Magsaysay was published here today. The list is considered accurate.

Names on the list were:
President Ramon Magsaysay.
Secretary of Education Gregorio Hernandez Jr.
Representative Pedro Lopez.
General Benito Ebuen, Chief of the Philippines Air Force.
Ex-Senator Tomas Cabili.
Lieutenant Leopoldo Regis, Presidential Aide.
Jose Paredes Jr.
Nestor Mata, Philippines Herald (the lone survivor).
Pablo Bautista, newspaperman.
Major Ramon Camus, Appointments Secretary.
Paterno Magsaysay, cousin of the President.
Natricio Osmenag, Protocol officer.
Major Felipe Nunag, Security Chief.
Eduardo Rey, valet.
Cele, government photographer.
Regino Meraman.
Cesar Rama.
Major Florencio Pobre, pilot.
Capt. Manuel Navea, co-pilot.
Sergeant Alfonso Ibe, flight chief.
Sgt. Isidro Fernandez, assistant flight chief.
Staff Sgt, Raymundo Ruiz, Radio Operator.
Corporal Antonio Tiangco.
Major Alfredo Bustamante of the Philippines Veterans Legion.
—United Press.

26 Through Canal

Cairo, Mar. 17.

The Egyptian Canal Authority's spokesman said tonight that 26 small ships, mostly Egyptian, had passed through the Suez Canal since it was opened to ships of under 500 tons on March 8. Six travelled north and 20 south, he said.—Reuter.

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"Now let's not eat too much of this prime roast beef! Our new neighbour gave me a wonderful recipe for hash!"

MURDER TRIAL: ACCUSED GIVES EVIDENCE

Li Hon, 26-year-old police constable charged with murder, described at the Criminal Sessions this morning how a man he was taking to a police post tried to seize his revolver and how the gun went off in the subsequent scuffle.

The constable testified on his own behalf after Mr Justice C. W. Reece, Puisne Judge, had overruled an application by the Defence to withdraw the Crown case on the ground that there was no evidence fit to go to the Jury.

Li is charged with the murder of Ho Sek-lun, whom he is alleged to have shot at the Tai Hang Tung resettlement area in the early hours of November 28 last year.

Mr D. E. Greenfield, Crown Counsel, is prosecuting, assisted by Divisional Detective Inspector D. R. Harris. Mr V. L. J. D'Alton, instructed by Hastings and Co., is defending Li.

Before the accused gave evidence, his wife, Leung Pui-chun, was called as a Defence witness. She said she had lived with her husband for four years and had a daughter.

Their married life, she said, was fairly good. Li did not show any disposition to take a concubine.

Witness said her husband sometimes slept at the police station. He did not speak to her about any other woman, although he told her once that he had been married before when he was out in the country.

Questioned by the Crown, witness said she did not know who the woman was that the accused had previously married.

In reply to another query, she said she was the 1st fat wife of the accused. She had gone through the wedding ritual.

ACCUSED IN BOX

Testifying on his own behalf, Li Hon said he joined the Police on December 15, 1952. On the night of November 27-28, 1956, he was on duty at the Tai Hang Tung resettlement area. He patrolled block "E" to "O".

At about 4.45 a.m. on the 28th, he said, he reported "Beat clear" to the police post in the area. Then he went from the post to a passageway adjacent to "E" block and near "F" block.

The passageway was very dark. There were no lights in "E" block. He did not see any lights in "F" block.

Li said he stopped at the entrance of the passageway and looked towards his left, in the direction of the hills. About six houses from him, he saw a man. The man was looking into windows, one after the other.

There were no electric lights near where the man was, accused said. He himself then stepped back a little. The man came in his direction and stopped at the passageway where he was standing.

GIVES ORDER

Li told the Court that from the man's way of acting, he believed him to be doing something unlawful.

"I told him to raise his hands for a search. He did so and I searched him. I found a chain of keys in his jacket pocket. These I returned to him.

"I asked if he had an identity card. He said he did not. I asked why he had been looking in through the windows. He did not say anything."

Accused went on to say that he told the man he suspected him of doing something felonious and that he was taking him to the police post for enquiries.

He started to hustle the man towards the post. The man refused to move and made as if to grab his holstered revolver. He swung at the man with his fist and then pulled out the revolver and pointed it at the man. Both were of about the same height.

DEMONSTRATION

Li was handed the revolver and he demonstrated to the Jury the various movements of himself and the other man.

He continued: "The man grabbed my hand and my gun. I swung my gun upwards and in doing so shook off the man's hands. I felt my lanyard being jerked two or three times."

Li showed the Court the position of his trigger finger as he held his revolver—his finger touching the trigger.

"During the struggle," continued Li, "the gun went off. The man fell down and I flashed my torch at him."

Accused said the man had been standing immediately in front of him when the gun went off. But he could not say exactly where the man was facing, because he was confused at the time.

Li said he saw by the light of his torch that the man's head was bleeding. He immediately blew his whistle. He noticed that his revolver lanyard had come off.

Hearing is continuing.

Murder Charge Against Woman

A 35-year-old woman, Ho Sam-mui, of 6 Sek Tong Street, first floor, Hunghom, was this morning further remanded three days by Mr Derek Cons at Central Court on a charge of murder.

The defendant is at present in Queen Mary Hospital.

Ho is alleged to have murdered a Chinese man named Tuen Kam-wah on March 5, in room 417 of the Good World Hotel, Wanchai Road.

Canada's First Sunday Paper

Toronto, Mar. 17.

Canada's first Sunday newspaper appeared today and police took the names of some of the people who handled it.

The paper was the Sunday edition of the Toronto Telegram, which in making its appearance defied the tradition that barred Sunday newspapers because of the Lord's Day Act.

The paper, which was distributed throughout Ontario, contained 64 pages in four 16-page sections, plus a magazine section and an abridged novel.—China Mail Special.

2 NEW HOSPITAL WINGS

Foundation Stone Laid By The Governor

The Directors of the Tung Wah Hospital were complimented and the generosity of the Hongkong public was similarly commended by His Excellency the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, this morning when he laid the foundation stone for two new wings of the hospital.

The ceremony, His Excellency said, marked the beginning of the last phase of a scheme which had been the care and concern of every Tung Wah Chairman and every Board of Directors for the last four or five years.

The new wings of the Hospital are being named after the Hon. B.C.K. Hawkins, Secretary for Chinese Affairs and Dr the Hon. K.C. Yeo, Director of Medical and Health Services.

The following is the text of His Excellency's address:

I am very glad to have had the opportunity of laying this foundation stone for these two new wings of the Tung Wah Hospital, because today's ceremony clearly marks the beginning of the last phase of a scheme which I know has been the care and concern of every Tung Wah Chairman and every Board of Directors for the last four or five years.

The need to replace the old, dilapidated and space wasting buildings by modern premises of scientific, functional design was self evident, but the project was a big one involving heavy expenditure and there have been other factors, outside the control of the various Boards, which have caused unavoidable delays. But in spite of difficulties and frustrations the work of preparation has gone forward steadily from year to year, until now you have reached the happy position where your remaining problems are only those of bricks and mortar and, knowing the speed and competence of Hongkong's building industry, these will be of short duration.

I may not see the wings fully completed, but I am confident that before I leave the Colony this site will be carrying far more than the bare skeleton of the new buildings and this venerable mother of hospitals will be well accustomed to her 'new look'.

Personal Tribute

Nothing too could be more appropriate than to name one wing after Mr Hawkins and the other after Dr Yeo. It is a personal tribute to two gentlemen who have each for many years helped the Tung Wah group of hospitals. Moreover if your relationship with those two Government officers had not been close, harmonious, and happy it is unlikely that you would have wished thus to honour them, for indeed it is an honour.

After hearing your report on the year's work, Mr Chairman, I am once again amazed at the wide scope and variety of your activities. I feel as though I had been watching an expert juggler juggling with half-a-dozen dinner plates, a tea cup or two and a few odds and ends, keeping them all in the air at the same time and never, never letting one piece fall to the floor. Of course you, unlike the juggler, have your team of hard working directors to help you, but this does not lessen my admiration but merely spreads it over a wider field.

Up To Schedule

I note with particular satisfaction that the programme of modernising and enlarging the Tung Wah Free Schools is well up to schedule and is proceeding according to plan, and I am glad to hear that you have started a boy scout troop among your schoolchildren. I am sure that you will find that scouting will become very popular and I hope that before long every Tung Wah school will have its own contingent.

You and your Board have certainly broken all records in raising funds for the hospital. I know that this has meant much hard work for everyone concerned, but your success is not only a tribute to the generosity of the Hongkong public but is also a fair measure of the trust and confidence which that public has in you and your fellow directors and as such it is its own reward.

In short, Mr Chairman, you and your Board have done a first rate job of work in keeping with the highest traditions of this great institution.

I congratulate you and I thank you most sincerely in the name of the people of Hongkong.

Chairman's Speech

The following is the text of the address by Mr P. T. Loong, Chairman of the Board of Directors, Tung Wah Group of Hospitals:—

The inspection of the Tung Wah Hospital by your Excellency and Lady Grantham, and also the laying of the foundation stone of the two new wings by Your Excellency today give all of us much encouragement and our patients, spiritual comfort. We also extend our hearty welcome to all our honourable guests for their presence today.

It may be recalled that this hospital was built in 1870 to replace the old, dirty "I Ts'z". Sir Richard MacDonnell, the then Governor of Hongkong, who petitioned to the Secretary of State for the Colonies for permission to erect a Chinese hospital, did fear that later on the hospital might fall into the same deplorable state of uncleanness, congestion and nuisance as the old "I Ts'z" if not run properly. However, such worry no longer exists now.

This hospital has been converted from a Chinese hospital using herbs for treatment, into a modern one using Western medicine. Through the hard work of our predecessors, the over-age buildings, the "Ping On" and "Fook Sau" wards, which were built eighty-seven years ago, will be replaced by two ten-storey wings containing 202 beds.

Finally Realised

Thanks to the support of Government, our Advisory Board, the Medical Committee as well as its Building Sub-Committee, and the efforts of all concerned, this two-million-dollar project will at last be brought to realisation. Credit must also go to the Board of Directors of 1954 under the chairmanship of Mr Seaward Woo, which started the fund-raising campaign for this project and also to those who have contributed generously towards the fund. I am happy to say that these new wings will be named after the Hon B. C. K. Hawkins and Dr the Hon. K. C. Yeo who have done so very much for Tung Wah Hospital over all these years.

Now, I beg to review briefly the work done by the Board of Directors for the Year.

A new accounting system was adopted during our term of office, and division of the income and expenditure of the Medical and Charity Sections has been effected.

The rules and regulations of the Hospital were numerous, but most of them have become out-of-date. With the kind assistance of the Hon Secretary for Chinese Affairs and the Hon Director of Medical and Health Services, the work of reviewing and compiling the regulations of the Tung Wah Group of Hospitals has been completed. We now have a full set of adequate regulations which can be referred to for guidance in the hospitals' administration.

Record Campaigns

The 'Maan Sin Yuen' religious service, the Flag Day, and the Charity Ball, all yielded record-breaking results. The proceeds derived from each campaign, including donations, exceeded $200,000. In addition, receipts from Charity football matches and cinema show together brought the total income to $800,000. In the light of the present difficulties experienced by local business, such results may be considered satisfactory.

Under an agreement signed by this hospital with the Sik Sik Yuen, the Wong Tai Sin Temple in Kowloon City has been open to the public as from September 25, 1956. A voluntary donation of ten cents as admission fee is collected in aid of the hospital's School Fund. The agreement was made possible through the efforts of Mr Wong Wan-tin, who was the chief director of the Sik Sik Yuen at that time and is also the principal director of our hospitals. His object in this connection was to provide facilities for temple-goers and education for poor children.

In the past five and half months, donations collected at the Wong Tai Sin Temple exceeded $40,000. It is estimated that an annual income of over $70,000 may be derived from this source. On behalf of my colleagues and myself, I sincerely thank the committee of the Sik Sik Yuen for their generous act.

Over $40,000 was raised in our campaign for the relief of fire victims of Shek Wu Hui, New Territories, last year.

During the year, the directors of the hospital visited various scenes of fire disaster, and distributed relief funds among the victims. They also went forth into the cold winter nights to distribute cotton-padded clothes to the poor in various districts. The hall in the Coffin Home at Sandy Bay has been rebuilt, and efforts have been made to collect all outstanding debts. The estimated rents receivable for the year were set at seventy thousand dollars, but the actual rents received up to the present moment have reached eleven hundred thousand dollars.

As regards the properties of the hospital, the ten tenement houses in Reclamation Street will be pulled down and rebuilt, so that the annual income from rents may be increased by two hundred thousand dollars, or 50%.

Medical Section

(1) The construction of the two new wings of the Tung Wah Hospital is underway. (2) It has been decided to build new quarters for the menial staff of the Tung Wah Eastern Hospital. Construction is expected to start within this month. (3) A new ambulance has been bought. (4) The old out-patient clinic at the Kwong Wah Hospital has been converted into wards. (5) Night clinic for out-patients was opened in summer, the expenses being borne by the directors. (6) Improvement of the dispensary has been effected. (7) The Infirmary for TB cases at Sandy Bay has been given repairs.

As a result of the Colony's population increase, the demand for beds has become most urgent. When this hospital was opened in 1872, there were 100 beds, and the population then was 115,564. Today, the population has increased to three million, but the number of beds in the Tung Wah Group of Hospitals is only 1,422, including the 482 beds assigned to disabled and TB patients. The number of beds available to general patients is only 940, which is indeed too small.

Priority Plea

The directors have never overlooked the need for an increase in the hospitals' bed strength, but this is not a matter to be accomplished overnight. I mention this in the hope that our difficulties may be appreciated by our kaifongs.

I am sure that the citizens of Hongkong were greatly heartened by Your Excellency's address at the Legislative Council Meeting on February 28 to the effect that after the completion of the new Kowloon Hospital, the scheme for the building of a general hospital every two years will be considered by the Government. In view of the more urgent need for medical services in the vast area of Kowloon, it is sincerely hoped that the Government, in working out this big scheme, will give priority to the re-development of the Kwong Wah Hospital. I am not appealing to Your Excellency for an immediate promise, but I do seek Your Excellency's sympathetic consideration.

Schools Section

Beginning from our term of office, a group of boy scouts has been formed in our schools. The new building of our Hongkong No. 2 School at Shaukiwan was completed, and the cost for adding a new fourth floor to this building was borne by the directors. The accommodation of this school has thus been increased ten times. It can now accommodate 2,420 students. Our Hongkong No. 3 and No. 4 schools are to be combined into one at a site in Queen's Road East. Laying of the foundation stone will take place on the 21st this month and the Hon B.C.K. Hawkins has kindly agreed to officiate at the ceremony.

At the Anual Athletic Meet held by our schools last year, the students broke the past records of many events.

As a result of the remarkable achievement of our students in the Joint Primary Examination, the Hon Director of Education has agreed to increase the quota of students from our schools to sit for the Examination this year.

In the short space of one year, not much can be done. If there are any achievements at all, these are due to the co-operative spirit and the strenuous efforts on the part of the directors. The community is certainly indebted to our civic-minded leaders and generous donors for the benefits it receives. Once again I must thank you all for coming today and it is now my honour and privilege to invite Your Excellency to lay the Foundation Stone.

Youth Steals Ride In A Car

Lee Yiu-nam, a Chinese youth aged 17, of 17 Canal Road West, first floor, was this morning fined a total of $650 or fourteen weeks imprisonment by Mr Derek Cons at Central Court when he pleaded guilty to driving a private car without third party risks insurance, driving without a valid licence and driving without the owner's consent.

He was further placed under two years police supervision when he pleaded guilty to being a member of the 14K Triad Society.

The court was told that on March 15 defendant drove a private car which did not belong to him.

The owner of the car, who had found the vehicle missing, saw it being driven towards him. He waved his arms in an attempt to stop the car, but he was ignored. He then boarded a taxi and followed the car.

Defendant then stopped the car and alighted. He ran over to the pavement and tried to escape. The owner of the car gave chase and arrested him.

When the defendant was taken to the police station he admitted he was a member of the 14K Triad Society.

This morning, defendant said that he had taken the car just for a ride. He also said that he had been a member of the society for the past two years.

Radio Hongkong

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5.30, Talking about Teaching, Listeners' Magazine; 5.45, The Boyd Neel String Orchestra; 6, Time Signal, Programme Summary; 6.02, Highlights in Variety; 6.30, Classical Requests presented by Aileen Dekker; 6.59, Weather Report; 7, Time Signal, The News; 7.09, Commentary or Stop Press Item; 7.15, "Cocktail Time", Carmen Cavallaro (Piano); 7.45, Talking about Books, "Undertones of War" by Edmund Blunden, "Destination, Berlin" by Paul Vialar. Reviewed by B.D. Wilson; 8, Movie Magazine. Edited and Produced by Timothy Birch; 8.30, BBC Jazz Club; 9, Time Signal, The News and Home News from Britain; 9.15, Three Landscapes, The Final in the Series of Talks by Jack Armfield Bindon; 9.30, Recital by Dr C. K. Wong (Flute) with Moya Rea (Piano). Sonata in C Major Op. 83 No. 2 (Kuhlau); 9.50, Kathleen Long (Piano), Scarlatti Sonatas; 10, "Something Continental", Holiday in Italy; 10.30, Hancock's Half Hour. (Repeat of last Saturday's broadcast); 10.59, Weather Report; 11, Time Signal, Radio Newsreel; 11.15, Goodnight Music; 11.30, Close Down.

REDIFFUSION

2 p.m. Variety Calls the Tune; 3, Musical Matinee; 3.30, Claude Thornhill and his Orchestra, featuring the Snowflakes; 4, The Story of Bottle Castle; 4.15, Tea for Two; 4.30, Strictly Instrumental; 5, Children's Corner — Stories of the Kingdom; 5.30, Monday Requests — Presented by Betty; 6.58, Birthday Mailbag; 6, La Musique Francaise — Presented by Jeannette Piry; 6.30, The Tops in Popular Music; 6.45, The House of Peter McGovern; 7, Time Signal and the News; 7.09, Weather Reports, Announcements and Interlude; 7.15, A Moment for Melody; 7.30, Eddie Fisher with Axel Stordahl's Orchestra; 8, Personality Parade — Ruby Murray; 8.15, Show Case — Selections from "Quaker Girl", Columbia Light Opera Company with Orchestra; 9, Time Signal, News and Home News from Britain; 9.15, Salon Serenade; 9.30, Monday Concert—"Masquerade" Symphonic Suite by Khatchaturian, played by the Boston Pops Orchestra "Slavonic Rhapsodies in G Minor" by Dvorak played by the Vienna Symphony Orchestra; 10, A Life of Bliss; 10.30, One Night Stand; 11, Date with Dreamland; 11.30, Prelude to Midnight; 12 Midnight, "God Save the Queen". Close Down.

Training Ships Leave

After a week's visit here, the Royal Canadian Naval Training Squadron, under the command of Captain Robert Welland, DSC and Bar, RCN, left this morning for Okinawa.

Heading the Squadron was senior ship, HMCS Ontario, accompanied by two anti-submarine frigates, HMCS Jonquiere and HMCS Stettler.